



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF  
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1                   **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

2                   **TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2014 ON PAGE 89]**

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6   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. THIS  
7 MORNING WE WILL BE LED IN OUR INVOCATION BY THE REVEREND MARK  
8 NAKAGAWA FROM CENTENARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN LOS  
9 ANGELES. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY BECKY  
10 FREEMAN, FORMER AIRMAN, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE. REVEREND  
11 NAKAGAWA.

12  
13   **REV. MARK NAKAGAWA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. BEFORE I  
14 OFFER THE INVOCATION, I NEED TO SAY A FEW WORDS TO PREFACE IT.  
15 FIRST OF ALL IT IS GOOD TO BE BACK IN THESE CHAMBERS, I WAS  
16 HERE THREE YEARS AGO FOR AS PRESIDENT FOR THE NISEI WEEK  
17 FESTIVAL WHICH JUST CONCLUDED. I WANTED TO THANK THIS BOARD  
18 FOR WHAT IT DOES TO MAKE SURE THE NISEI WEEK FESTIVAL HAPPENS  
19 EVERY YEAR AS WELL AS THE TANABATA FESTIVAL. WE JUST CONCLUDED  
20 ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL FESTIVAL. SO THANK YOU, BOARD OF  
21 SUPERVISORS. I ALSO WANT TO THANK PERSONALLY COUNCILMEMBER I'M  
22 SORRY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEMBER KNABE. HE DOESN'T  
23 KNOW IT BUT HE HAS BEEN A BIG HELP TO THE UNITED METHODIST  
24 CHURCH. I'M ON THE BOARD OF BAKER HOMES IN HACIENDA HEIGHTS  
25 WHICH IS A RETIREMENT HOME FOR METHODIST MINISTERS. WE'VE HAD

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1 TO CALL ON HIS OFFICE OUT THERE TO HELP MITIGATE SOME ISSUES.

2 SO THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL DONE WITH A LOT OF PRAYER FOR THOSE  
5 RETIRED MINISTERS.

6

7 **REV. MARK NAKAGAWA:** OKAY THANK YOU. AND THEN FINALLY I'D LIKE  
8 TO ACKNOWLEDGE TWO COLLEAGUES WHO ARE HERE TODAY. REVEREND DAN  
9 LEWISH WHO IS A NEWLY APPOINTED PASTOR OF FIRST UNITED  
10 METHODIST CHURCH HERE IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES AND ALSO WITH  
11 HIM IS REVEREND (INAUDIBLE) WHO IS REPRESENTING OUR BISHOP.  
12 THE REVEREND WAS THE LEADER OF OUR HISPANIC MINISTRIES HERE IN  
13 THIS CONFERENCE. LET US BE IN AN ATTITUDE OF PRAYER AT THIS  
14 TIME. OUR HEAVENLY CREATOR, THROUGHOUT HISTORY YOU HAVE  
15 REVEALED YOURSELF IN MANY DIFFERENT WAYS. AS YAHWEH, ALLAH,  
16 BUDDHA AND AS CHRIST. THROUGH YOUR MANY REVELATIONS, YOU HAVE  
17 CALLED US TO BE YOUR PEOPLE, WHO UPHOLD JUSTICE, SHOW MERCY,  
18 DELIVER KINDNESS AND COMPASSION. WE GIVE YOU THANKS FOR THE  
19 LEADERSHIP OF OUR COUNTY EXPRESSED HERE THROUGH THESE ELECTED  
20 AND APPOINTED LEADERS, WE PRAISE YOU FOR THE WORK THAT THEY  
21 CONTINUE TO DO TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR COUNTY IS A HAVEN AND  
22 HOME AND REFUGE FOR ALL WHO SEEK PEACE AND TRANQUILITY IN  
23 THEIR LIVES. ESPECIALLY IN THESE TUMULTUOUS TIMES, THE  
24 CHALLENGES THAT THE WORLD PRESENTS THEM, AND US, ARE VERY  
25 GREAT. AND SO WE ASK YOU, OUR HEAVENLY CREATOR, TO CONTINUE



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1 GUIDING THIS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WITH YOUR DIVINE AND  
2 INFINITE WISDOM, GIVING THEM THE VISION TO SEE CLEARLY, THE  
3 COURAGE TO ACT BOLDLY AND THE INSPIRATION TO DO JUSTLY. WE  
4 GIVE YOU THANKS AGAIN AND PRAISE YOU THROUGH THE MANY WAYS IN  
5 WHICH WE WORSHIP AND ACKNOWLEDGE YOU, AMEN.

6

7 **BECKY FREEMAN:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG AND PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND  
8 OVER YOUR HEART AND FOLLOW ME IN SAYING THE PLEDGE OF  
9 ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S MY PRIVILEGE AND HONOR ON BEHALF OF  
12 SUPERVISOR MOLINA TO WELCOME REVEREND MARK NAKAGAWA WHO SERVES  
13 AS WE MENTIONED EARLIER THE SENIOR MINISTER OF CENTENARY  
14 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH HERE IN LOS ANGELES. AFTER EARNING HIS  
15 DEGREES FROM THE U.C.L.A. AND PACIFIC SCHOOL OF RELIGION, HE  
16 HAS DEVOTED HIS LIFE TO COMMUNITY MINISTRIES. IN ADDITION TO  
17 HIS LEADERSHIP AT HIS CHURCH, HE DEVOTES HIS TIME AND TALENTS  
18 TO THE ASIAN AMERICAN LANGUAGE MINISTRY TASKFORCE, THE  
19 NATIONAL JAPANESE AMERICAN UNITED METHODIST CAUCUS AND THE  
20 CALIFORNIA PACIFIC ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOUNDATION. HE'S ALSO  
21 ACTIVE IN MANY WORTHY CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS NISEI WEEK  
22 FOUNDATION, LITTLE TOKYO COMMUNITY COUNCIL AND THE CHRISTIAN  
23 MUSLIM CONSULTING GROUP OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. SO WE WANT TO  
24 THANK REVEREND FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF HIS BUSY SCHEDULE TO  
25 JOIN US AND TO LEAD US IN A WONDERFUL INVOCATION.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I ALSO HAVE THAT THE PASTOR WAS ALSO FORMER  
3 CHAIRMAN OF THE NISEI WEEK AND QUITE INVOLVED IN THE  
4 COMMUNITY AND IN THE PARADE A WEEK AGO SUNDAY. SO THANK YOU FOR  
5 YOUR LEADERSHIP, PASTOR. TODAY WE WERE LED IN THE PLEDGE OF  
6 ALLEGIANCE BY BECKY FREEMAN FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WHO  
7 SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE BETWEEN 1971 AND '79.  
8 SHE'S A GRADUATE INDIANA UNIVERSITY. WE THANK HER FOR COMING  
9 DOWN AND LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE. [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER. WE  
12 WILL BEGIN WITH THE AGENDA.

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14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, MR.  
15 CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA  
16 ON PAGE 3, PRESENTATION AND SET MATTERS. ON ITEM S-2 AS  
17 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA AT THE MEETING -- EXCUSE ME.  
18 LET ME BACK UP. ON ITEM S-2, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED  
19 AGENDA, THE INSPECTOR GENERAL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
20 CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER 23, 2014. ON ITEM S-3, ALSO AS  
21 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, AT THE MEETING OF AUGUST 12,  
22 2014, THIS ITEM WAS CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER 16, 2014.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

25

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1   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING  
2   OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D AND 2-D. ON  
3   THESE ITEMS, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM EITHER A MEMBER OR MEMBERS  
4   OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THEM. ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING  
5   OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1-P, THAT  
6   ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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8   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE  
9   CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

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11   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 6, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
12   ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9. ON ITEM NO. 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
13   MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 5, THERE'S  
14   ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.  
15   ON ITEM NO. 6, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM  
16   BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 2, 2014. THE REMAINING  
17   ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

18

19   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
20   ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION SO BE THE  
21   ORDER.

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23   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** PAGE 9, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 10  
24   THROUGH 39. ON ITEM NUMBER 11, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS  
25   OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 14 AND 15,



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1 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE  
2 ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 17, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE  
3 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 19, 20, 21 AND 22,  
4 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE  
5 ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 26 AND 27, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER  
6 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON ALSO ON ITEM NO. 29 AND  
7 30, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER. PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE  
8 ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 31, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
9 AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
10 CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER 9, 2014.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE  
15 CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINING, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
18 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT  
19 OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

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21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 20, DISCUSSION ITEMS,  
22 ITEMS 40 THROUGH 41. ON ITEM NO. 40 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED  
23 AGENDA, WE WILL HOLD THIS ITEM FOR A REPORT BACK FROM THE  
24 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES WHICH WAS REQUESTED ON JULY  
25 1, 2014. ON ITEM NO. 41, WE WILL ALSO HOLD THIS FOR A REPORT.

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1 ON PAGE 21, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE  
2 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS  
3 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 42-A THERE'S  
4 A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON  
5 ITEM NO. 42-B, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINS FROM THE  
6 VOTE. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER  
7 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF  
8 THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH  
9 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 1. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?  
10 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? SUPERVISOR KNABE? I'D LIKE TO CALL UP  
11 THE MEMBERS OF THE MARTIN LUTHER KING MACC DREAM TEAM WHO ARE  
12 L.A. COUNTY SUPER STARS IN SERVICE EXCELLENCE IN  
13 ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. THE M.L.K. DREAM TEAM THEY  
14 RECEIVED THEIR SCROLLS EARLIER. THEY EMBRACE THE CONCEPTS  
15 ASSOCIATED WITH PATIENT-CENTERED SCHEDULING COLLABORATIVE AND  
16 CAPITALIZED ON THE CENTER'S MEDICAL HOME CONCEPT OF TEAM-  
17 DIRECTED PATIENT CARE. ACCESSIBILITY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND  
18 CUSTOMER SERVICE WAS THE FOCUS OF THE TEAM. AND EACH MEMBER OF  
19 THIS TEAM BROUGHT WITH THEM A VERY UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE WHICH  
20 ALLOWED THEM TO ACHIEVE THREE GOALS: THE TEAM WORKED TOGETHER  
21 TO COMPLETE AND RECONFIGURE THE PROCESS FOR PATIENT SCHEDULING  
22 AND APPOINTMENT PREFERENCES IN THE INTERNAL MEDICINE PRACTICE.  
23 BY INCORPORATING A PATIENT FIRST MENTALITY THE TEAM DEDICATED  
24 A SINGLE LINE FOR PATIENTS CALLING TO SPEAK WITH A CLINICIAN  
25 OR TO INQUIRE ABOUT UPCOMING EMPLOYMENTS. ALSO CAME UP WITH

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1 THE ENHANCED SCRIPT FOR APPOINTMENT CONFIRMATION CALLS AND  
2 DEVELOPED A RIGOROUS ALGORITHM TO HELP THEM DETERMINE WHICH  
3 PATIENTS WERE MOST LIKELY TO KEEP THEIR APPOINTMENTS AND WHICH  
4 WERE LIKELY TO CANCEL WITHOUT CALLING. AS A RESULT, THEY WERE  
5 ABLE TO REDUCE THE NO-SHOW RATE FROM 26 PERCENT TO LESS THAN  
6 10. THIS TEAM PRIORITIZED PATIENT PREFERENCES FOR APPOINTMENT  
7 TIMES AND WERE EVEN ABLE TO PROVIDE SAME-DAY ACCESS. THEY  
8 MONITORED THE THIRD NEXT AVAILABLE APPOINTMENTS, AN INDUSTRY  
9 STANDARD MARKER THAT MEANS PATIENTS CAN RELIABLY GET AN  
10 APPOINTMENT WITHIN TWO WEEKS AND HAVE BEEN ABLE TO REMAIN  
11 CONSISTENTLY BELOW THE 14 DAYS FOR APPOINTMENT SCHEDULING. SO  
12 EACH MEMBER, AS I SAID, RECEIVED THEIR SCROLL EARLIER. EACH  
13 MEMBER WAS ALIGNED IN PURPOSE AND MISSION. AND AS A RESULT,  
14 YOU CAN SEE THAT THEIR MISSION WAS ACHIEVED. SO WE WANT TO ASK  
15 YOU TO JOIN US IN CONGRATULATING THE MARTIN LUTHER KING MACC  
16 INTERNAL MEDICINE DREAM TEAM FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING WORK.  
17 [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SPEAKER:** WE'RE GRATEFUL AND HONORED TO BE RECOGNIZED IN THIS  
20 WAY. I THINK WHAT'S REALLY SPECIAL ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR  
21 PROJECT IS THAT IN ADDITION TO JUST MEETING OUR GOALS OR  
22 GETTING A NUMBER DOWN LIKE A NO-SHOW RATE DOWN, WHAT THIS  
23 PROJECT REALLY HELPED US DO WAS TO MEET THE D.H.S. SERVICE  
24 MISSION FOR ACCESS FOR OUR PATIENTS. FOR EVERY PATIENT THAT  
25 KEEPS AN APPOINTMENT, THAT'S A PHYSICIAN SLOT THAT WAS

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1 UTILIZED FOR PURPOSE TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF THAT PATIENT.  
2 ANY SLOT THAT GOES UNUSED OR WASTED FOR A NO-SHOW CAUSES OTHER  
3 DELAYS IN THE DAY IS A MISSED OPPORTUNITY. AND I ALWAYS LIKE  
4 TO SAY CHANGE MAINTENANCE IS HARDER THAN CHANGE. AND I'M  
5 REALLY PROUD TO SAY THAT WE SUBMITTED THIS PROJECT ABOUT A  
6 YEAR AGO FOR THE L.A. COUNTY STARZ AND NOW A YEAR LATER WE'RE  
7 STILL CONSISTENTLY MEETING OUR GOALS FOR IMPROVED ACCESS FOR  
8 OUR PATIENTS. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS.  
11 CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY. EVERYBODY. DREAM TEAM. NEXT WE  
12 HAVE OUR ANNUAL AWARDEES. WE'D LIKE TO CALL UP THE FOLLOWING  
13 FROM THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES. AT THIS  
14 TIME WE'D LIKE TO CALL UP THE FOLLOWING FROM THE SYBIL BRAND  
15 COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON ELEANOR MONTANEAU. VICE CHAIR FRANK  
16 BASIO. COMMISSIONERS DONALD ANDREWS, CHERYL GRILLS, SUSAN  
17 BURTON, BARBARA RIGBY AND ANNE GILL. JOINING THEM ARE THE 2014  
18 SYBIL BRAND SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES. ALICIA RODRIGUEZ, IRMA MUNOZ  
19 AND QURON CLARK, CHRISTIAN MORAN IS ALSO A RECIPIENT BUT HE'S  
20 NOT ABLE TO BE WITH US TODAY. THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR  
21 INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS FORMERLY KNOWN STRICTLY AS THE  
22 INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTION COMMISSION, WAS ESTABLISHED BY THIS  
23 BOARD BACK IN 1959 WITH ITS MISSION TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF  
24 LIVES FOR THOSE INCARCERATED AND OR LIVING UNDER VERY STRICT  
25 SUPERVISION OR ASSIGNED TO A GROUP HOME ENVIRONMENT. TO THIS

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1 END THE COMMISSION ESTABLISHED A SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IN 2007  
2 TO ASSIST HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES WHO ASPIRE TO PURSUE A HIGHER  
3 EDUCATION IN COLLEGIATE CLASSROOMS. THE COMMISSION HAS SINCE  
4 AWARDED OVER 20 SCHOLARSHIPS TO DESERVING YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN  
5 WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED NOTEWORTHY EDUCATIONAL AND PERSONAL  
6 ACHIEVEMENTS. THIS YEAR, THE COMMISSION IS AWARDED \$300 EACH  
7 TO ALL 2014 RECIPIENTS AND SO IT'S MY PLEASURE TO PRESENT A  
8 SCROLL HONORING EACH OF THESE FOUR EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS. FIRST  
9 UP IS ALICIA RODRIGUEZ. ALICIA GRADUATED FROM BELL GARDENS IN  
10 JUNE WITH A 3.12 G.P.A. SHE'S GOING TO BE ATTENDING CAL STATE  
11 DOMINGUEZ HILLS AND THEN PLANS TO PURSUE A MAJOR IN PEDIATRIC  
12 ONCOLOGY AT U.C.L.A. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] YOU  
13 RECOGNIZE ON THE FIRST SCROLL WE PRESENTED HAS SYBIL'S PICTURE  
14 ON IT, TOO. THAT'S VERY SPECIAL. AS I MENTIONED CHRISTIAN  
15 MORAN GRADUATED FROM BISHOP LEMONT FROM 3.5. HE WILL BE  
16 ATTENDING THE COLLEGE OF ST. BENEDICT, ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY  
17 TO PURSUE A CAREER IN PSYCHOLOGY. AND HAS A GOAL OF BECOMING A  
18 SWAT TEAM MEMBER. BUT HE WAS UNABLE TO JOIN US TODAY. OUR  
19 THIRD RECIPIENT IS IRMA MUNOZ. IRMA GRADUATED FROM JAMES A.  
20 GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL THIS PAST JUNE AND HAS BEEN ACCEPTED TO  
21 CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY AND PURSUE A MAJOR IN SOCIAL WORK,  
22 CONGRATULATIONS, IRMA. OUR FINAL RECIPIENT IS QURON CLARKS. HE  
23 GRADUATED FROM LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS THIS LAST  
24 JUNE WITH A 3.0. HAS BEEN INVITED TO -- WOW. DUDE, YOU'RE  
25 GOING A LONG WAYS. HE'S BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND THE INSTITUTE

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1 FOR ARTS IN BARCELONA, SPAIN. CONGRATULATIONS. THAT'S REALLY  
2 EXCITING. PRETTY COOL. WE'D LIKE TO EXTEND A HEARTFELT THANK  
3 YOU TO ALL OF THESE STUDENTS AND TO THE COMMISSION AND  
4 PARTICULARLY THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO NOT NOT ONLY CONTINUED TO  
5 EXCEL ACADEMICALLY BUT TO GIVE NUMEROUS HOURS IN THEIR  
6 COMMUNITIES AND TO VARIOUS PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERSONAL  
7 CONCERNS. SO WE WANT TO WISH YOU ALL THE BEST OF LUCK IN YOUR  
8 CONTINUING EDUCATION AND I KNOW THAT YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE AN  
9 EXTREMELY BRIGHT FUTURE. AND WE ALSO WANT TO THANK THE  
10 COMMISSION FOR THEIR DEDICATION TO THESE STUDENTS EACH AND  
11 EVERY YEAR AND THE MANY OTHER INDIVIDUALS THAT THEY HELP EACH  
12 AND EVERY DAY HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO LET'S GIVE  
13 THEM ALL A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. CHAIRMAN, DO YOU WANT TO SAY  
14 ANYTHING? MIKE?

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS TODAY WE WILL RECOGNIZE  
17 BOB WIEGAND WHO IS HELPING THE MICHAEL HOFFMAN FOUNDATION  
18 RAISE FUNDS TO BENEFIT CHILDREN BATTLING CANCER. THEY HONOR  
19 THE MEMORY OF A 12-YEAR-OLD CHRISTOPHER WILKE WHO PASSED AWAY  
20 AFTER A BATTLE EARLIER THIS YEAR. TO HONOR THIS MEMORY OF  
21 YOUNG CHRISTOPHER AND RAISE MONEY, BOB HAS RUN 83.36 MILES.  
22 HOW MANY POUNDS DID YOU LOSE? A COUPLE POUNDS. [APPLAUSE.] HE  
23 BEGAN AT MY FAVORITE BASEBALL TEAM'S BASEBALL STADIUM. LOS  
24 ANGELES ANGELS STADIUM IN ANAHEIM WHICH WAS THE FAVORITE  
25 BASEBALL TEAM AND ENDED IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. ALONG THE



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1 WAY MEMBERS OF THE SHERIFF AND FIRE DEPARTMENT ALONG WITH  
2 COMMUNITY MEMBERS JOINED IN. SO WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
3 LEADERSHIP IN BRINGING ATTENTION TO A VERY SERIOUS ISSUE. WITH  
4 US TODAY IS JOE AND MONICA WILKE, CHRISTOPHER'S GRANDPARENTS,  
5 AND GILLIAN STONE FROM THE MICHAEL HOFFMAN FOUNDATION. SO  
6 THANK YOU FOR DOING WHAT YOU ARE DOING.

7

8 **ROY WIEGAND:** I'D LIKE TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR HAVING ME HERE  
9 TODAY. THERE'S A LOT ON THE AGENDA. IT WAS VERY MUCH LIKE  
10 LIVING A MOVIE ON JULY 4TH BEING ABLE TO RUN. I'M A LONG TIME  
11 RUNNER AND GETTING TO RUN FROM ANAHEIM CITY TO SANTA CLARITA  
12 AND GETTING TO PUSH KIDS IN A SPECIAL STROLLER THAT WERE  
13 BATTLING CANCER AND THEIR FAMILIES FOR SHORT DISTANCES OF THE  
14 PARTS OF THE RUN. AND CHRISTOPHER WAS A 12-YEAR-OLD BOY SCOUT.  
15 THAT'S HOW I KNEW HIM. HE WAS IN THE SAME TROOP AS MY SON. AND  
16 HE INSPIRED THIS WHOLE THING. THIS IS A KID WHO REALLY HAD A  
17 RIPPLE EFFECT ACROSS BURBANK AND OTHER PLACES. BUT TO GIVE YOU  
18 AN IDEA OF WHAT INSPIRED ME IS THERE WERE 1,400 PEOPLE AT HIS  
19 FUNERAL. FOR A 12-YEAR-OLD BOY. SO HE WAS A VERY SPECIAL KID.  
20 HE WAS ONLY THE THIRD PERSON EVER RECORDED TO HAVE THE KIND OF  
21 CANCER HE HAD, THE CANCER OF THE BILE DUCT. SO THIS WAS IN HIS  
22 MEMORY. THAT'S WHAT INSPIRED ME. IT WAS A LOT OF MILES TO  
23 COVER. BUT WHEN I STARTED GETTING TIRED, I WOULD THINK ABOUT  
24 WHAT CHRISTOPHER WENT THROUGH. AND ALL THE OTHER KIDS THAT I  
25 GOT TO MEET ALONG THE WAY THAT THE HOFFMAN FOUNDATION

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1 ULTIMATELY, THAT'S WHO WE'RE RAISING AWARENESS AND FUNDS  
2 ABOUT, HOW THEY HELP THESE KIDS AND THESE FAMILIES. AND SO I  
3 WAS THE LUCKY ONE THAT DAY. AND MAYBE I'LL GET TO DO IT AGAIN  
4 IN THE FUTURE. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THIS. IT IS VERY SPECIAL.  
5 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SPEAKER:** I'M JUST AMAZED AT HOW CHRISTOPHER TOUCHED SO MANY  
8 PEOPLE IN HIS SHORT 12 YEARS. LIKE WE SAID 1,400 PEOPLE WERE  
9 AT THE FUNERAL, 800 AT THE ROSARY. COUNTLESS FUNDRAISERS, HIS  
10 SCHOOL THAT HE WENT TO. THEY DID A WALK IN HIS NAME. THEY  
11 RAISED \$10,000. LOCAL MEXICAN RESTAURANT HAD A FUND-RAISER.  
12 HIS BOY SCOUT TROOP HAD A FUND-RAISER. THEY RAISED BETWEEN  
13 8,000 AND 10,000 DOLLARS ON A PANCAKE BREAKFAST WHICH IS  
14 UNHEARD OF. THEY USUALLY BRING IN 2,000, RIGHT? 2,000. AND HE  
15 NEVER COMPLAINED. AND AS ROY SAID, HE WAS ONLY THE FIRST CHILD  
16 IN THE HISTORY OF CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, WHICH IS OVER 100  
17 YEARS, TO HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH THIS CANCER, THE SECOND  
18 CHILD IN THE UNITED STATES, A GIRL OF 17 IN MICHIGAN. AND THEN  
19 CHRISTOPHER AT THE AGE OF 12. AND A YOUNG BOY IN JAPAN, WHO  
20 WAS 11. IT'S A DISEASE OF OLDER PEOPLE, USUALLY IN THEIR 70S.  
21 THEY CONSIDER YOUNG TO BE 50. AND SO THEY DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO  
22 TREAT CHRISTOPHER. OUR FAMILY IS PARTAKING IN A RESEARCH  
23 PROJECT THROUGH THE MAYO CLINIC TO HOPEFULLY COME UP WITH AN  
24 EARLY DIAGNOSIS BECAUSE WHEN CHRISTOPHER WAS DIAGNOSED IN  
25 JANUARY 4TH, HE WAS STAGE 4 AND HE ONLY LIVED 74 DAYS. SO

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1 WE'RE HOPING THAT THIS IS GOING TO BE PART OF HIS LEGACY, THAT  
2 AND ALL THE PEOPLE THAT HE HAS BROUGHT TOGETHER. IT'S -- I  
3 CAN'T THINK EVERYBODY ENOUGH FOR ALL THEY'VE DONE FOR OUR  
4 KIDS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY WE WILL RECOGNIZE A VERY FINE GENTLEMAN  
7 FROM THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, DARRELL PAULK WHO IS RETIRING  
8 AS THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE CHILD AND FAMILY CENTER  
9 OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WHO WAS ALSO A GREAT BASEBALL FAN  
10 AND WHOSE SON PLAYS PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL FOR THE COLORADO. WE  
11 HOPE HE COMES BACK TO THE LOS ANGELES ANGELS, BUT WE'LL SEE.  
12 BETTER WEATHER. SO, ANYWAY, DARRELL HAS BEEN THE C.E.O. SINCE  
13 DECEMBER I SHOULD SAY OCTOBER OF 2008 OF THE CHILD FAMILY  
14 CENTER IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AND PRIOR TO THAT HE HAD  
15 BEEN THE C.E.O. OF THE LEROY HANES CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND  
16 FAMILIES IN LAVERNE FROM 1988 TO 2006. HE ALSO SERVES ON THE  
17 BOARDS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF PSYCHIATRIC HUMAN SERVICES  
18 AGENCIES, THE CALIFORNIA ALLIANCE OF CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES  
19 AND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT CENTERS  
20 FOR CHILDREN. WITH HIM TODAY IS HIS WIFE PATTI AND SONS BRIAN  
21 AND MICHAEL AND DAUGHTER WHO LIVES IN TEXAS WHO COULD NOT BE  
22 HERE TODAY. SO DARRELL HAS BEEN A PLEASURE FOR MY STAFF AND I  
23 TO WORK WITH YOU. WE HOPE TO HAVE YOU CONTINUED INVOLVEMENT IN  
24 THE COMMUNITY AND HELPING OUR YOUTH. BECAUSE WITHOUT STRONG  
25 PARENTAL AND STRONG COMMUNITY SUPPORT THE CHILDREN ARE LEFT

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1 RUDDERLESS IN A VERY DANGEROUS WORLD BUT WITH THE SUPPORT THAT  
2 THE CHILD FAMILY CENTER HAS BEEN ABLE TO GIVE THESE CHILDREN  
3 AND WITH THE PARENTS, THESE CHILDREN HAVE GONE ON AND WILL GO  
4 ON TO BE THE PRODUCTIVE LEADERS OF OUR GREAT NATION. SO,  
5 DARRELL?

6

7 **DARRELL PAULK:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR  
8 RECOGNIZING ME TODAY AND I WANT TO THANK THE DREAM TEAM. THIS  
9 IS THE CHILD AND FAMILY CENTER DREAM TEAM THAT I HAVE HERE.  
10 NOT ONLY MY FAMILY BUT WE HAVE ONE OF OUR BOARD MEMBERS,  
11 GLORIA MCCARTLE FOR TIME REPRESENTING THE BOARD. I HAVE THE  
12 NEW C.E.O. AND I CAN'T WAIT FOR HER TO TAKE OVER, DR. JOAN  
13 ASHOFF IS HERE. AND THE REST OF THE EXECUTIVE TEAM. I WANT TO  
14 THANK THEM FOR GETTING UP AT 4:30, SOME OF THEM, TO BE HERE.  
15 MIKE, I WANT TO THANK YOU NOT ONLY AS A BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
16 AND YOUR SUPPORT ALONG WITH YOUR COLLEAGUES, I ALSO WANT TO  
17 THANK YOU FOR BEING A FRIEND TO THE CHILD AND FAMILY CENTER.  
18 WE'RE 38 YEARS OLD THIS SUMMER. MIKE, YOU'VE BEEN SUPPORTING  
19 US FOR 38 YEARS. AND LIZ SEIPLE WHO WAS THE FOUNDER WAS MY  
20 PREDECESSOR FOR 32 YEARS, MADE IT A LOT LONGER THAN I DID, SHE  
21 HAS A LOT MORE STAMINA.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SHE'LL BE ON OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
24 COMMISSION.

25

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1   **DARRELL PAULK:** SHE'S ON THE AGENDA TODAY. BUT SHE COULDN'T BE  
2   HERE. SHE IS OUT OF TOWN. SHE WANTED TO SAY HI AND THANK YOU.  
3   THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL THE SUPPORT. THE CHILD AND FAMILY  
4   CENTER IS THE PRIVATE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOR ALL THE  
5   SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AND ON INTO THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. WE  
6   APPRECIATE YOU OF YOUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU FOR THIS  
7   RECOGNITION, I APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH.

8

9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO SHOW  
10   YOU HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO HAVE THE PRIVATE SUPPORT WITH  
11   PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS TO HELP OUR YOUTH. OKAY. LET'S DO  
12   A GROUP PICTURE. NOW WE HAVE LITTLE HARRIS WHO IS A TERRIER  
13   MIX WHO IS FIVE YEARS OLD. LOOKING FOR A HOME. HE LOVES THE  
14   MILITARY. I KNOW THERE ARE A LOT OF VETERANS OUT THERE. SO  
15   562-728-4610 TO ADOPT LITTLE MORRIS. HE'S FIVE WEEKS OLD.  
16   EXCUSE ME FIVE MONTHS OLD. AND HE'S LOOKING FOR A NICE HOME.  
17   HE WILL BRING YOU A LOT OF LOVE. HE'S FROM FRANCE. [LAUGHTER.]  
18   THAT WAS A WET ONE, MORRIS -- HARRIS, I SHOULD SAY. WOW.  
19   ANYWAYS, LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYBODY LIKE TO ADOPT HIM? HE'S  
20   LOVEABLE. [LAUGHTER.]

21

22   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DR. CLAVREAUL, ITEMS 1, 11 AND 15.  
23   PREVEN, 2-D, 5, 14, 17, 19, 21, 26, 27, 29 AND 30. SACHS, 1-D,  
24   2-D, 11, 17, 20, AND 22. AND ROBERT LUCAS ON 2-D.

25

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1   **ERIC PREVEN:** DO YOU WANT ME TO PROCEED? IT'S ERIC PREVEN  
2   COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I JUST WANT TO MAKE A  
3   COMMENT ABOUT THESE CONTINUATIONS. SOME OF THESE ITEMS ARE  
4   BEING CONTINUED TODAY RIGHT HERE IN THE MOMENT. THAT DOES NOT  
5   SEEM APPROPRIATE FOR THE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE COME DOWN. I  
6   KNOW YOU CHANGE THE RULES, SIR, AT THE BEGINNING OF YOUR TERM.  
7   THAT DOES NOT SEEM APPROPRIATE TO ME THAT PEOPLE COME DOWN TO  
8   SPEAK, FOR EXAMPLE, ON ITEM 6 AND THEY SAY "OH WE'RE  
9   CONTINUING IT FOR TWO WEEKS, YOU CAN TALK ABOUT IT IN PUBLIC  
10   COMMENT" IT SEEMS INAPPROPRIATE, TO ME. ITEM NO. 2-D, IS OF  
11   COURSE A LITTLE R.F.P. FOR A MILLION DOLLARS PUT ON BY THE  
12   COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. OH. AND THIS IS FOR HOMELESS  
13   YOUTH PROGRAMMING OF SOME KIND. IT'S VERY, VERY POSITIVE. IT'S  
14   UNDERSPENT MONEY. BUT TO ME, THIS IS -- IT ASKS, THE ASK IS  
15   HUGE. IT SAYS BASICALLY WE'RE LOOKING FOR FOLKS WHO CAN HELP  
16   IN ALMOST ANY CATEGORY OF THIS GROUP. I WONDER IF DOING  
17   R.F.P.S THAT ARE MORE FOCUSED ON THE URGENT SPECIFIC NEED  
18   WOULD BRING OUT REASONABLE COMPETITION BETWEEN ENTITIES WHO  
19   ARE WORKING LIKE THAT? AS OPPOSED TO A KIND OF GENERIC BEAUTY  
20   CONTEST WHEREBY, YOU KNOW, SOMEBODY JUST PICKS. BECAUSE THEY  
21   ALL DO DIFFERENT THINGS AND THEY'RE NOT EXACTLY COMPARABLE.  
22   THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT I WAS THINKING ABOUT. ITEM NO. 5 IS  
23   ZEV YAROSLAVSKY'S GIVING THANK YOU \$16,000 IN WAIVED RECEIPTS  
24   TO THE SURF RIDER GROUP OUT IN MALIBU. IT'S OBVIOUSLY A  
25   POSITIVE THING. IT MADE ME REMEMBER, HOWEVER, THE TRIATHLON



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1 THAT WAS SPONSORED BY NAUTICA, ZEV LOOKS GREAT IN NAUTICA, BY  
2 THE WAY, BUT MY QUESTION FOR YOU IS WHO IS THE SPONSOR OF THIS  
3 PARTICULAR EVENT BECAUSE I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE  
4 PUBLISH THAT IN THE AGENDA AS I TOLD JOEL BELLMAN TWO YEARS  
5 AGO. ITEM NO. 6 WAS THE ONE I WAS TALKING ABOUT WAS CONTINUED.  
6 ITEM 17 IS MORE LIBRARY PROCUREMENT. NOW THE LIBRARY GROUP HAS  
7 ITS OWN LITTLE PROCUREMENT TEAM. AND HERE THEY GOT A GRIFFIN  
8 SWINNERTON DEAL FOR A LIBRARY THAT MAYOR ANTONOVICH IS  
9 PRESIDING OVER NICELY. THEY GOT A \$1.78 MILLION DOLLAR OPTION  
10 TO HELP US GET THIS LIBRARY GOING. THE ONLY THING I WOULD ASK  
11 IS THAT WE TRIPLE CHECK AND LOOK CLOSELY AND HERE'S WHY.  
12 BECAUSE THAT LIBRARY PROCUREMENT GROUP IS FAMOUS IN COUNTY  
13 GOVERNMENT FOR BEING THE LAST MAN STANDING TO SAY "DIAMOND  
14 CONTRACT SERVICES IS THE BEST" THEY DID THAT ABOUT A MONTH OR  
15 SO BEFORE THE MASSIVE IMPLOSION AT DIAMOND CONTRACT SERVICES,  
16 WHICH IS A GROUP THAT HAS CRUMBLLED IN A WAY THAT'S UPSETTING  
17 GIVEN THEIR BIG, BIG BUSINESS, IT'S EATEN UP LOTS OF  
18 JANITORIAL CONTRACTS. ITEM NO. 19 IS THE O'ROURKE P.R. GROUP.  
19 GAIL FARBER AND THE FOLKS AT PUBLIC WORKS APPARENTLY FELT THAT  
20 THE 532 ARE THEIR FOLKS WHO COMPETED IN THIS R.F.P. INITIALLY  
21 DIDN'T HAVE WHAT THE INCUMBENT WAS AND THIS WAS FOR WATER  
22 REPORTING ABOUT P.R. AND STUFF. VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE GIVEN  
23 THESE HIGH DROUGHT CONDITIONS. BUT HERE'S THE THING. OF THE  
24 THIS WAS THE GROUP MUST HAVE BEEN INCUMBENT DURING THE CLEAN  
25 BEACHES CROOKED PAMPHLET IN THE MAIL PROGRAM THAT WE HAD, AS

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1 YOU RECALL. SO I WOULD URGE THAT WE RETHINK WHETHER OR NOT WE  
2 WANT TO JUST ROLL THAT RIGHT OVER. A LOT OF GOOD IDEAS. A LOT  
3 OF BRIGHT YOUNG MINDS IN THE MARKET THESE DAYS. THAT COULD BE  
4 HELPFUL. ITEM NO. 14 I'LL JUST SAY FOR MR. SALADINO, THE  
5 TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR WHO BELIEVES THAT 54 PERCENT IN FEES  
6 AND COSTS IS APPROPRIATE TO GO TO THE ATTORNEYS IN A  
7 SETTLEMENT WITH OUR HOSPITAL. I DON'T AGREE WITH THAT. AND  
8 I'VE ASKED HIM TO PUT SOME OF THE MATERIALS TOGETHER TO HELP  
9 SORT THROUGH HOW WE CAN SHUT THESE LAW FIRMS DOWN FROM DOING  
10 IT.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT? THREE MINUTE.

13

14 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
15 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW, ON ITEM NO. 6, ACTUALLY THIS  
16 MORNING WHEN WE RECEIVED THE CONTINUED ITEM, IT WAS NOT ON THE  
17 LIST TO BE CONTINUED. AND I THINK TO HAVE IT CONTINUE IS NOT  
18 VERY APPROPRIATE. ESPECIALLY ON THAT CONTINUED ITEM, IT DID  
19 NOT SAY IT WAS CONTINUED. IT SAID IT WAS A NO VOTE FROM  
20 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND KNABE. BUT, ANYWAY, THAT'S THE WAY  
21 WE ARE DOING THINGS LATELY. SO MUCH FOR TRANSPARENCY. ON ITEM  
22 11, IT'S KIND OF SURPRISING THAT WE ARE AGAIN AGAIN TRYING TO  
23 BE MORE PROPERTY TO M.L.K., THAT NEW HOSPITAL WAS STILL A BIG  
24 DREAM. AND TO ASSIGN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TO BE DIRECTED  
25 TOWARD THE C.E.O. IS KIND OF INAPPROPRIATE BECAUSE AS FAR AS I

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1 KNOW, THE C.E.O. IS PLANNING TO LEAVE QUITE SOON. SO IT WOULD  
2 BE FAR BETTER TO WAIT TO ASSIGN IT TO SOMEBODY ELSE. BUT AS  
3 USUAL, THAT IS NOT THE WAY WE ARE DOING THINGS. ON ITEM 1, YOU  
4 KNOW, TO GIVE THE SCROLL FOR M.L.K. DREAM TEAM IS REALLY A  
5 MISNOMER BECAUSE YOU ARE NOT TALKING ABOUT THE M.L.K.  
6 HOSPITAL. YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT THE M.L.K. MACC. AND I THINK  
7 THAT'S A TOTAL MISREPRESENTATION. I REPEATEDLY ASK THIS  
8 MORNING WHO WAS THAT DREAM M.L.K. DREAM TEAM? SO, YOU KNOW IT  
9 IS KIND OF SAD THAT SEEING CANNOT BE DONE WITH THE RIGHT  
10 LABELING. ANYWAY, FOR YOUR READING PLEASURE, I WROTE AN  
11 ARTICLE ABOUT COURTESY. COURTESY AND MANNERS REALLY COUNT. AND  
12 I THINK MANY OF YOU SHOULD READ IT BUT ALSO MAYBE THE AUDIENCE  
13 WHO ARE NOT QUITE WELL-MANNERED SOMETIMES OR POLITE. YOU KNOW,  
14 IT COSTS OVER \$6 BILLION A YEAR BECAUSE OF POOR MANNERS. MANY  
15 PEOPLE DON'T COME TO WORK BECAUSE THERE IS NOT GOOD MANNERS OR  
16 COURTESY. AND LET ME TELL YOU: SOMETIMES IT'S VERY DIFFICULT  
17 FOR ME TO COME TO THIS BOARD AND SEE THE LACK OF MANNERS. AND  
18 LIKE I SAID, NOT ONLY FROM THE BOARD, THE PUBLIC, AS WELL. SO  
19 I THINK PLEASE READ AND GIVE ME YOUR COMMENTS. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

22

23 **ROBERT LUCAS:** MY NAME IS ROBERT LUCAS. ON THE 2-D AGENDA ITEM  
24 WITH THE MONEY THAT'S BEEN ALLOTTED FOR THE DELINQUENCY AND  
25 THE YOUTH FOR THE HOMELESS, I'D LIKE TO JUST ASK THAT EVEN

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1    THOUGH IT WAS MENTIONED THAT IT MIGHT BE UNDERFUNDED, I'D LIKE  
2    TO FIND OUT SOME MORE INFORMATION ON THIS BECAUSE I WOULD BE  
3    MORE THAN HAPPY TO VOLUNTEER BECAUSE I'M LIVING WITH SOME OF  
4    THE OLDER GENERATION OF THE EXACT SAME PROBLEM. AND I THINK  
5    THAT A VERY BIG INFLUENCING FACTOR IN PREVENTING SOME OF THE  
6    OLDER GENERATION IS CATCHING THEM AS YOUTH. AND WITH THE  
7    EXPERIENCE I HAVE, I THINK IT'S VITAL AND I'D LOVE TO  
8    VOLUNTEER FOR THAT.

9

10   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THERE SHOULD BE SOMEBODY HERE FROM  
11   COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION THAT CAN TALK TO YOU AND SHOW  
12   YOU WHAT OPPORTUNITIES THEY HAVE FOR VOLUNTEERING.

13

14   **ROBERT LUCAS:** THANK YOU.

15

16   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WHOEVER'S HERE FROM COMMUNITY  
17   DEVELOPMENT, IF YOU'D SPEAK TO THE GENTLEMAN, PLEASE, I'D  
18   APPRECIATE IT. NEXT?

19

20   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. AND  
21   I DID HOLD A FEW ITEMS, KNABE. I HELD ITEM 1-D, I'LL SKIP  
22   THAT, THOUGH. ITEM 2-D, THE HOMELESS PREVENTIVE IMITATIVE. AND  
23   SURPRISINGLY, THAT WAS ON YOUR AGENDA LAST YEAR, JUNE 4, 2013.  
24   TO REPROGRAM THE CURRENTLY UNSPENT COUNTYWIDE HOMELESS  
25   PREVENTION INITIATIVE ONE TIME FUNDS TO ENABLE THE BOARD TO

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1 EFFICIENTLY MAKE EXPENDITURES AND ENSURE AT LEAST 90 PERCENT  
2 OF THE RECOMMENDED PROGRAM FUNDS GO TO PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE  
3 HOUSING. THEN THERE IS THIS PART THAT YOU MADE AN AMENDMENT TO  
4 THE AGENDA. ADDITIONAL RESOURCES, INSTEAD OF 5 MILLION TO 10  
5 MILLION FOR ANNUAL HOMELESS PREVENTIVE INITIATIVE ONGOING  
6 FUNDS, YOU STATED JUST ADDITIONAL RESOURCES ADDED TO THE  
7 HOMELESS PREVENTATIVE INITIATIVE ONLY AFTER THE REPROGRAM  
8 FUNDS HAVE BEEN EXPENDED. SO HOW'D YOU COME UP WITH A MILLION  
9 DOLLARS EXTRA? YOU JUST TALKING ABOUT SPENDING ALL THIS MONEY,  
10 AND LO AND BEHOLD YOU HAVE A MILLION DOLLARS EXTRA. HOW IS  
11 THAT POSSIBLE? I KNOW. SIX TIMES 12 IS 66. THAT GOES BACK TO  
12 YOUR TRASH HAULING. AND WHEN IT COMES TO TRASH, THIS BOARD HAS  
13 A LOT TO HAUL. I HELD ITEM NO. 11, R.F.P. FOR MEDICAL OFFICE  
14 BUILDING AT M.L.K. MEDICAL CAMPUS CENTER. AND THIS IS FROM  
15 JULY 29, 2014. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS INSTRUCT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
16 OFFICER AND DIRECTORS OF HEALTH SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH TO  
17 REPORT BACK IN 90 DAYS WITH A REPORT THAT IDENTIFIES REAL  
18 PROPERTY OR AVAILABLE UNDERUTILIZED COUNTY FACILITIES LOCATED  
19 ON COUNTY MEDICAL CAMPUSES THAT COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR  
20 THE DEVELOPMENT OF PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, PSYCHIATRIC  
21 HEALTH CENTERS AND OTHER COUNTY-SUPPORTED FACILITIES. BLAH,  
22 BLAH, BLAH. WELL, WE HAVE FACILITIES HERE, BUT WE'RE USING IT  
23 FOR DOCTORS' OFFICES. THEN I HELD ITEM 17, IN MARCH, YOU TOOK  
24 \$13 MILLION FOR THE SOUTH WHITTIER LIBRARY. AND YOU  
25 TRANSFERRED \$5 MILLION FROM SOUTH WHITTIER LIBRARY AND ANOTHER

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1 \$8 MILLION FROM THE EAST SAN GABRIEL LIBRARY ON 3/25 THAT WAS  
2 ACTION BY THE BOARD. ON 4/8 YOU TOOK 4 MILLION FROM THE EAST  
3 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY LIBRARY TO THE LOMITA LIBRARY. ON JULY 8TH  
4 YOU DID SOMETHING WITH ARTESIA LIBRARY. BUT NONE OF THOSE  
5 MENTIONED ANYTHING ABOUT A LEASE DESIGN AGREEMENT. AND THIS  
6 ONE, ACCORDING TO THE LIBRARY, IS A LEASE DESIGN AGREEMENT.  
7 HOW COME? WHAT ARE THEY LEASING? IT'S A LIBRARY. IT'S SUPPOSED  
8 TO BE A COUNTY FACILITY. I HELD ITEM 22, IT'S A 10 PERCENT  
9 CONTINGENCY FEE OF \$2.6 MILLION. COUNTY'S LOCAL MATCHING  
10 FUNDS. IS THAT \$26 MILLION? THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY  
11 ADMINISTRATION. BUT IT'S THE ANGELS FOREST NATIONAL HIGHWAY,  
12 ISN'T THAT A STATE HIGHWAY? SHOULDN'T THEY HAVE SOME MONEY  
13 INVOLVED HERE? I KNOW. COUNTY MATH. HAULING TRASH. DR.  
14 CLAVREUL, YOU MIGHT WANT TO GIVE HIM THE COPY OF YOUR COURTESY  
15 COUNTS ARTICLE. ALL RIGHT. NEXT?

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHEN IT STARTS WITH COURTESY, YOU HAVE A LONG  
18 WAY TO GO, SIR.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BEFORE YOU MOVE THESE ITEMS, I WOULD LIKE TO  
23 SPEAK TO ITEM NO. 11, PLEASE.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.



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1

2 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THERE'S BEEN SOME QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS HAVE  
3 BEEN RAISED. BUT YET THIS PROJECT I THINK IS AN IMPORTANT  
4 PROJECT, SO WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO RIGHT NOW IS ASK THAT YOUR  
5 BOARD APPROVE THE RELEASE OF THE R.F.Q. AND THEN ONCE WE GET A  
6 NUMBER OF FIRMS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN THIS EFFORT, WHO COME  
7 BACK, I WILL THEN RETURN TO THE BOARD WITH THE LIST OF  
8 AGENCIES OR ENTITIES THAT ARE INTERESTED IN WORKING ON THIS  
9 PROJECT. AND IT WILL GIVE US TIME TO ANSWER THOSE ISSUES AND  
10 CONCERNS THAT WE CAN EITHER ADDRESS THROUGH A BRIEFING BUT  
11 MORE LIKELY IN A REPORT BACK TO YOUR BOARD. THE OTHER THING  
12 I'D LIKE TO DO IS BECAUSE CURRENTLY THE WAY IT'S STRUCTURED  
13 THE R.F.Q. WILL BE ISSUED THROUGH A CONTRACTORS' WEBSITE. I  
14 WANT TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE A VERY BROAD DISTRIBUTION. AND I ASK  
15 THAT WE POST THIS R.F.Q. ON THE PUBLIC WORKS' WEBSITE BECAUSE  
16 THAT'S OUR STANDARD PROCESS.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AS WELL AS THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS?

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AND OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS. SO I THINK THAT  
21 WILL HELP US, YOU KNOW, CAST THE WIDEST NET AND GET THE MOST  
22 QUALIFIED PROPOSER TO WORK ON THIS IMPORTANT PROJECT. SO I ASK  
23 THAT WE RELEASE THE R.F.Q. TODAY AND THAT ONCE WE GET THE --  
24 IDENTIFY THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THIS EFFORT, I'D COME  
25 BACK TO THE BOARD AT THE SAME TIME IT WILL GIVE US THE

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1 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS ANY ISSUES OR CONCERNS AND PROVIDE A  
2 GOOD BRIEFING AND THAT WE POST IT ON OUR STANDARD WEBSITE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITH THAT UNDERSTANDING, WE'RE  
5 GOING TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE ITEM, ITEM 11, MOVED BY  
6 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT  
7 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EXCUSE ME. IS THE RELEASE OF THE R.F.Q.,  
12 EVERYTHING ELSE IS BEING --

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S WHAT'S BEING APPROVED TODAY. EVERYTHING  
15 ELSE WILL COME BACK.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE REMAINDER?

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE REMAINDER OF THE ITEMS ARE AS  
24 FOLLOWS. ITEM NO. 1-D, 2-D, 1, 5, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22,  
25 26, 27, 29 AND 30. THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THOSE ITEMS, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
3 YAROSLAVSKY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE  
4 THE ORDER.

5

6 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 42-A IS BEING TAKEN UP IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
9 THE DISCUSSION ITEM?

10

11 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** 42-A, THERE ARE ALSO A NUMBER OF  
16 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE HOLDING IT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE WILL CALL ITEM NO. 40, THE REPORT BY  
21 D.P.S.S.

22

23 **SHERYL SPILLER:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS. I'M  
24 SHERYL SPILLER, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL  
25 SERVICES. AND AS REQUESTED, I'M HERE TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON

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1 MY DEPARTMENT'S ROLE AND OUR PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF  
2 THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND THE ONGOING MAINTENANCE OF MEDI-  
3 CAL CASES. WHILE HEALTH SERVICES IS FOCUSING ON THE EXPANSION  
4 OF HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS NEEDED TO DELIVER SERVICES TO MEET THE  
5 NEEDS AND DEMANDS OF THE INCREASED ENROLLMENT, D.P.S.S.' FOCUS  
6 IS ON ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING MEDI-CAL ELIGIBILITY. THIS  
7 MEANS THAT ALL OF THE APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED BY L.A. COUNTY  
8 RESIDENTS, WHETHER THEY GO THROUGH HEALTH SERVICES, THROUGH  
9 CLINICS, THROUGH CERTIFIED ENROLLMENT COUNSELORS, THROUGH  
10 PRIVATE HOSPITALS TO COVER CALIFORNIA, THEY ALL COME TO  
11 D.P.S.S. TO BE PROCESSED FOR -- TO COMPLETE THE ENROLLMENT  
12 PROCESS. NOW, SINCE JANUARY 2014, WE'VE RECEIVED OVER 400,000  
13 APPLICATIONS. THAT'S ALONG WITH THOSE 300,000 HEALTHY WAY L.A.  
14 CASES THAT WERE CONVERTED TO MEDI-CAL. NOW, DETERMINING MEDI-  
15 CAL ELIGIBILITY RELIES NOT JUST ON OUR LOCAL SYSTEM, WHICH IS  
16 LEADER, IT ALSO IS RELYING ON THE STATE'S CAL-HEARS SYSTEM.  
17 AND WHILE AUTOMATION HAS BEEN MADE EASIER FOR INDIVIDUALS TO  
18 APPLY TO MEDI-CAL, THE CAL-HEARS SYSTEM CONTINUES TO DELAY  
19 ACCESS TO CARE. PRIOR TO HEALTH CARE REFORM D.P.S.S.  
20 CONSISTENTLY MET THE STATE'S MANDATE TO ESTABLISH MEDI-CAL  
21 ELIGIBILITY WITHIN 45 DAYS. THE STATE'S REQUIREMENT THAT MEDI-  
22 CAL APPLICATIONS NOW ALL GO THROUGH CAL-HEARS HAS CONTRIBUTED  
23 TO 187,000 PENDING APPLICATIONS IN L.A. COUNTY ALONE. NOW TO  
24 ASSIST INDIVIDUALS WITH PENDING APPLICATIONS WHO HAVE  
25 SCHEDULED DOCTOR APPOINTMENTS OR OTHER IMMEDIATE NEEDS MY

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1 STAFF ARE CIRCUMVENTING THE SYSTEM AND ISSUING BENEFITS  
2 DIRECTLY ONLINE THROUGH MEDS. IN ADDITION TO PROCESSING  
3 APPLICATIONS, COUNTIES ARE REQUIRED TO RE-ESTABLISH MEDI-CAL  
4 ELIGIBILITY. THIS IS REFERRED TO AS RENEWAL. BECAUSE OF  
5 PROBLEMS WITH CAL-HEARS THE STATE SUSPENDED RENEWALS FROM  
6 JANUARY THROUGH MAY OF THIS YEAR. IN MAY, THE STATE INSTRUCTED  
7 THE COUNTIES TO MAIL OUT RENEWAL PACKETS. OUR COUNTY MAILED  
8 OUT OVER 140,000 RENEWAL PACKETS FOR JANUARY AND JUNE. LAST  
9 MONTH, I REPORTED THAT 52 PERCENT OF THOSE CASES WERE AT RISK  
10 OF TERMINATING FOR FAILURE TO RETURN THOSE RENEWAL PACKETS. I  
11 REPORTED TO THE BOARD THAT MY DEPARTMENT WAS TAKING ACTION TO  
12 REDUCE THE NUMBER OF POTENTIAL TERMINATIONS. THAT WOULD HAVE  
13 MEANT THAT THOSE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN ENROLLED, AT LEAST 52  
14 PERCENT OF THOSE PEOPLE WOULD NOW BE WITHOUT HEALTH COVERAGE  
15 ONCE AGAIN. I'M HAPPY TO REPORT THAT WE SUCCESSFULLY REDUCED  
16 THE PERCENTAGE OF PERSONS THAT WERE AT RISK OF TERMINATION  
17 FROM 52 PERCENT TO 25 PERCENT. AND WE DID THAT BY COMPLETING  
18 EX PARTE REVIEWS, WHICH MEANS WE LOOKED AT ACTIVE CALFRESH AND  
19 G.R. SEGMENTS. WE ALSO MAILED REMINDER NOTICES. WE INITIATED  
20 AUTOMATED OUTBOUND CALLS AND LASTLY WE HAD ELIGIBILITY STAFF  
21 TO TELEPHONE BENEFICIARIES ON EVENINGS AND ON SATURDAYS.  
22 RECENTLY, THE STATE ASKED THE COUNTIES TO WORK WITH OUR  
23 MANAGED CARE PARTNERS TO OUTREACH TO THEIR PATIENTS AND HAVE  
24 THEM TO RETURN THE RENEWAL PACKETS IN ORDER TO HELP THEM TO  
25 RETAIN THEIR HEALTH COVERAGE. THEREFORE, UNTIL WE'VE EXHAUSTED

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1 EVERY REASONABLE OUTREACH EFFORT, WE'RE NOT GOING TO TERMINATE  
2 ANY MEDI-CAL CASE FOR FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE RENEWAL PROCESS.  
3 AS FAR AS THE NEXT STEPS, LAST MONTH, YOU ASKED WHAT YOUR  
4 BOARD COULD DO TO ASSIST MY DEPARTMENT WITH THE AFFORDABLE  
5 CARE ACT IMPLEMENTATION. SENATE BILL 1341 IS CURRENTLY GOING  
6 THROUGH THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS. THIS BILL WOULD LIMIT THE  
7 ROLE OF CAL-HEARS AND REQUIRE PROGRAMMING INTO LOCAL SYSTEMS  
8 WHICH WILL HELP IN EXPEDITING THE PROCESSING OF MEDI-CAL  
9 APPLICATIONS AND RENEWALS. WHILE THE BILL IS ALREADY SUPPORTED  
10 BY THE COUNTY, C.W.D.S., S.E.I.U AND THE WESTERN CENTER OF LAW  
11 AND POVERTY, WE'RE ASKING THAT YOUR BOARD SIGN A LETTER TO THE  
12 GOVERNOR IN SUPPORT OF THIS BILL. MY DEPARTMENT WILL CONTINUE  
13 TO DO ALL WE CAN TO ASSIST THE RESIDENTS IN RETAINING THEIR  
14 MEDI-CAL COVERAGE. ALSO WE'LL KEEP YOU INFORMED OF OUR  
15 PROGRESS AT THE REGULAR QUARTERLY DEPARTMENTAL A.C.A. UPDATES.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS? IS THERE ANY  
18 TIMELINE AS TO WHEN THEIR SYSTEM WILL BE ABLE TO TALK TO OUR  
19 SYSTEM?

20

21 **SHERYL SPILLER:** THEY ARE STILL WORKING ON IT. THERE IS AN  
22 INTERFACE. THE INTERFACE HAS IMPROVED BUT I THINK REALLY THE  
23 PROBLEM IT'S JUST WITH THE PROGRAMMING OF THEIR SYSTEM. IT'S  
24 SLOW AND IT'S STILL COMING BACK WITH INACCURATE RESULTS. AND



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1 THE FEDS HAVE BEEN INVOLVED, TOO, TO TALK TO THE STATE TO --

2 AND THEY'RE REPORTING BACK TO THE FEDS ON THEIR PROGRESS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SO WE GOT A BUNCH OF EYES ON

5 IT, JUST NO RESULTS, IS THAT CORRECT?

6

7 **SHERYL SPILLER:** PRETTY MUCH. WE'RE WORKING WITH THE CASES THAT

8 WE HAVE HERE. AND WE'RE MAKING SURE THAT THE BENEFICIARIES

9 THAT WE SIGNED UP IN CASE THEY HAVE EMERGENCIES TO SEE DOCTORS

10 ARE GOING AND JUST WORKING AROUND THE SYSTEM IN ORDER TO

11 ASSURE THAT THEY HAVE THE COVERAGE THEY NEED.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THEN

14 WE HAVE ONE BUT YOU DO WANT US TO TAKE THE ACTION TO DO THE

15 LETTER?

16

17 **SHERYL SPILLER:** YES, I THINK THAT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE

18 THE LETTER.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY WE'LL PUT THAT ON THE FLOOR,

21 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND THEN PUBLIC COMMENT,

22 ARNOLD SACHS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

23

24 **SHERYL SPILLER:** THANK YOU.

25

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1   **ARNOLD SACHS:** I'M TRYING TO BE MANNERLY EVEN THOUGH IT WILL  
2   KILL ME. NOBODY MENTIONED ANYTHING ABOUT MONEY INVOLVED AND  
3   WHEN IT COMES TO THE COUNTY IT'S ALL ABOUT MONEY, BUT THE  
4   WOMAN DID MENTION THEY HAVE 187,000 PENDING APPLICATIONS. AND  
5   THEY'RE HOLDING 140,000 RENEWAL PACKETS. THAT'S A TOTAL OF  
6   327,000? OR IS THAT 140 RENEWAL PACKETS PART OF THE 187,000  
7   PENDING APPLICATIONS. SO, DON'T KNOW. BUT DO KNOW COUNTY MATH.  
8   AND THAT'S AN F. SO MAYBE YOU COULD GET A CLARIFICATION ON  
9   THAT BECAUSE IT SOUNDS REALLY BAD IF IT'S 327,000. OR IS IT  
10   JUST 47,000 PENDING APPLICATIONS AND 140 RENEWAL PACKETS ARE  
11   PART OF THE 187,000 PENDING APPLICATIONS. THAT'S THE COUNTY'S  
12   DOUBLE TALK. MAYBE THE CHAIRPERSON WOULD BE SO KIND, BECAUSE  
13   WE KNOW HOW MANNERLY HE IS, THAT HE WOULD EXPLAIN IT. I'M  
14   SERIOUSLY DOUBTING THAT, THOUGH, ON ALL ACCOUNTS.

15

16   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND WORDS. THAT  
17   ITEM'S BEFORE US WITH THE REQUEST FOR THE LETTER. AND MOVED BY  
18   SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT  
19   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. WE'LL CALL UP ITEM 41, REPORT BY  
20   DIRECTOR OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS. 42-B WILL ALSO BE  
21   ON THE TABLE, THEN, TOO. WE JUST CALLED THE -- RIGHT.

22

23   **RUTH WONG:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. RUTH WONG, DIRECTOR OF  
24   MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS. AND BESIDE ME, I HAVE  
25   COMMISSIONER BOB ARCHULETA AN, FIRST DISTRICT APPOINTEE AND

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1 CHAIRMAN OF THE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMISSION. AND HE IS ALSO A  
2 PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTEE TO WEST POINT. SO MR. ARCHILETTA WILL  
3 BE GIVING THE REPORT.

4

5 **BOB ARCHULETA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, IF I MAY, MR. PRESIDENT? THE  
6 COMMISSION, THE L.A. COUNTY COMMISSION OF MILITARY AND  
7 VETERANS AFFAIRS WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS THEIR EXTREME GRATITUDE  
8 TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR STANDING BEHIND THE VETERANS  
9 AS YOU HAVE IN THE PAST AND AS YOU HAVE ON THIS ISSUE. THE  
10 ISSUE AT HAND IS THE V.A. LAND IN WESTWOOD THAT BELONGS TO THE  
11 VETERANS. IN 1888, A DEED WAS CREATED A CHARITABLE AND PUBLIC  
12 TRUST UNDER WHICH THE NATIONAL HOME ASSUMED A LEGALLY IMPOSED  
13 FIDUCIARY DUTY AS TRUSTEE TO PERMANENTLY USE THE DONATED LANDS  
14 SOLELY AND EXCLUSIVELY AS A HOME FOR THE BENEFIT OF DISABLED  
15 VETERANS. CONSEQUENTLY, A SUCCESSOR TO THE NATIONAL HOME, THE  
16 VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION, THE V.A., NOW HOLDS THE DONATED LAND  
17 ONLY IN ITS CAPACITY OF A TRUSTEE AND IS SUBJECT TO SUCH  
18 LEGALLY IMPOSED FIDUCIARY TRUSTEE DUTIES THAT MUST BE HONORED  
19 IN PERPETUITY. UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, THE DONATED LAND MUST BE  
20 PERMANENTLY USED IN A MANNER THAT DIRECTLY CONTRIBUTES TO THE  
21 PROVISIONS OF THE HOME FOR THE BENEFIT OF DISABLED VETERANS  
22 AND THE V.A. IS NOT PERMITTED TO DIVERT THE USE OF THIS LAND  
23 FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE. AND OUR ISSUE IS THAT THE LAND HAS BEEN  
24 USED FOR OTHER THAN VETERANS' USE. AND THIS IS WHY THE LETTER  
25 THAT WAS SENT TO YOU, SIGNED BY ME, ON MARCH 14TH OF THIS YEAR

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1 BY THE VETERANS COMMISSION ASKING THAT THE ENTIRE BOARD STAND  
2 BEHIND THE COMMISSION AND THE VETERANS AND THE COUNTY OF LOS  
3 ANGELES IN REFERENCE TO THE NINE LEASES THAT WERE ILLEGALLY  
4 SIGNED AND ISSUED BY PERSONNEL IN THE V.A. AND THE DEPARTMENT  
5 OF VETERANS AFFAIRS OF WEST LOS ANGELES HAS BEEN LEASING V.A.  
6 LAND TO VARIOUS ENTITIES FOR NONVETERAN USE FOR MORE THAN 20  
7 YEARS. AFTER 15 YEARS, NONVETERAN ENTITIES NOW OCCUPY NEARLY  
8 1/3 OF THE CALIFORNIA VETERANS' HOME CAMPUS, IT'S GONE TO  
9 FEDERAL COURT AND JUDGE OTERO'S ORDER SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT  
10 THESE LEASES AND THESE LEASE AGREEMENTS ARE UNAUTHORIZED BY  
11 LAW AND THEREFORE VOID. SO THE LOS ANGELES VETERANS HOME WAS  
12 AUTHORIZED BY AN ACT OF CONGRESS, AS I HAD MENTIONED. SOLELY  
13 FOR THE USE OF VETERANS. AND WE'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF  
14 SUPERVISORS FOR STANDING ONCE AGAIN BEHIND THE VETERANS IN  
15 SENDING THE LETTER TO JUDGE OTERO IN SUPPORT OF HIS RULING.  
16 AND I'D LIKE TO AGAIN THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF ALL THE VETERANS  
17 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO ADD?  
20 OKAY. THANK YOU. THAT'S A RECEIVE AND FILE ITEM. SO WE WILL  
21 MOVE TO ITEM -- PARDON ME?

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU HAVE 42-B?

24

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 42-B, I HAVE SPEAKERS ON, RIGHT? OR THE  
2    SAME ONE.

3

4    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 42-A. THAT'S RELATED TO THIS. I MIGHT HAVE  
5    AN AMENDMENT AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING.

6

7    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALRIGHT, WE HAVE 42-A AND 41 IS A  
8    RECEIVE AND FILE. 42-A IS THE ISSUE BEFORE US. BOB ARCHULETA  
9    SPOKE ALREADY. ROBERT ROSEBROCK, HOWARD HERNANDEZ, FRANCISCO  
10    JUAREZ. ARNOLD SACHS.

11

12    **ROBERT ROSEBROCK:** GOOD MORNING. ROBERT ROSEBROCK, OLD VETERANS  
13    GUARD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. FIRST WOULD LIKE TO THANK  
14    SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND YOUR LEADERSHIP TO PUSH THIS MATTER  
15    FORWARD FOR A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER SUPPORTING THE JUDGMENT.  
16    AND I'M GOING TO THANK COMMISSIONER ARCHILETTA FOR LAYING OUT  
17    OUR CASE. IT'S VERY, VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE ALL FOLLOW THE  
18    RULE OF LAW IN A CIVIL SOCIETY. ONE OF THE REASONS WE HAVE A  
19    CONSTITUTION IS BECAUSE BRAVE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN DEFEND THAT  
20    CONSTITUTION. AND WHEN THEY COME BACK INJURED IN THE DEFENSE  
21    OF THAT CONSTITUTION, IT SEEMS LIKE THE LEAST THAT THIS  
22    GRATEFUL SOCIETY SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO IS TO CONTINUE TO  
23    PROVIDE QUALITY HOUSING FOR THOSE THAT NEED SUPPORTIVE HOUSING  
24    ON THE VERY LAND THAT WAS GIVEN ON THEIR BEHALF 126 YEARS AGO.  
25    THE FACT THAT THIS IS BEING OVERRUN, TAKEN OVER BY SPECIAL

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1 INTERESTS, NONPROFITS AND WHATNOT IS SHAMEFUL. IT IS SIMPLY  
2 SHAMEFUL. WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY RIGHT NOW TO CORRECT THAT  
3 WRONG. AND ACCORDINGLY, I WANT TO RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT  
4 EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD PUT THEIR SIGNATURE ON THAT LETTER  
5 AND SUPPORT THE FEDERAL JUDGMENT AGAINST THOSE NINE ILLEGAL  
6 REAL ESTATE DEALS THAT HAVE BEEN DEPRIVING DISABLED HOMELESS  
7 VETERANS FROM THE PROPER HOUSING AND THE CARE THAT THEY  
8 RIGHTFULLY EARNED AND DESERVE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

11

12 **HOWARD HERNANDEZ:** YES, I'M HOWARD HERNANDEZ. I'M WITH THE  
13 AMERICAN G.I. FORUM. AS I STATED LAST WEEK I'M THE FORMER  
14 STATE COMMANDER WITH THE AMERICAN G.I. FORUM. I'M PROVIDING  
15 EACH OF YOU A RESOLUTION OF THE UNLAWFUL SEIZURE OF THE WEST  
16 LOS ANGELES PROPERTY. NOW, THIS WAS A RESOLUTION THAT WAS  
17 ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AT OUR STATE  
18 CONVENTION UP IN SACRAMENTO. NOW, IN ADDITION TO THIS, I HAVE  
19 ALSO BEEN IN WASHINGTON, D.C. TO LOBBY AND TO MAKE SURE THAT  
20 THE ADMINISTRATION, I MET WITH THE VETERANS' LIAISON FOR THE  
21 CURRENT ADMINISTRATION IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AND ALSO WITH A  
22 SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF THE CONGRESSMEN ON THE HILL. MY CONCERN  
23 IS: I WAS UNAWARE, ONE, THAT THIS LETTER HAD BEEN COMPLETED IN  
24 APRIL. I DON'T SEE WHY IT'S BEEN HELD UP SO LONG. BUT FOR THE  
25 LAST TWO YEARS AS I INDICATED, I LOBBIED ON THE HILL AND I

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1 WILL CONTINUE TO LOBBY ON THE HILL. WE HAVE UNITED WITH  
2 SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF OTHER VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS TO ENSURE  
3 THAT THIS PARTICULAR PROPERTY IS RETURNED AND UTILIZED FOR THE  
4 PURPOSE THAT IT WAS INITIALLY ESTABLISHED FOR. AND THAT WAS  
5 FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR DISABLED AND HOMELESS VETERANS  
6 RETURNING. WE'RE PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH OUR NEW RETURNING  
7 VETERANS BECAUSE THERE ARE A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF THEM  
8 BECAUSE OF THE ADVANCES IN OUR MEDICAL WHO ARE GOING TO BE  
9 RETURNING HOMELESS. THEY'RE GOING TO BE RETURNING DISABLED. WE  
10 WANT TO GET THEM OFF THE STREETS. WE WANT TO HAVE THEM, GIVE  
11 THEM AN ALTERNATIVE. THE PROPERTY IS THERE. LET'S UTILIZE IT  
12 FOR THE PURPOSE THAT IT WAS ORIGINALLY ESTABLISHED FOR.

13

14 **FRANCISCO JUAREZ:** FRANCISCO JUAREZ, OFFICE OF THE SACRED TRUST  
15 IN AMVETS CALIFORNIA. THIS EFFORT TODAY IS FOR DICK  
16 BRIGHTHOFF, NEWT YOUNG WHO STOOD AT THE PROTESTS UNTIL THEY  
17 DIED. TONY JACKSON UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS 1967. ANTONIO  
18 REJEZ AND MY GRANDSON, AND JIM PIDGEON. THE DELEGATES OF THE  
19 AMVETS NATIONAL CONVENTION HELD THIS PAST WEEK IN MEMPHIS,  
20 TENNESSEE PASSED A REVOLUTION TO ENDORSE AND SUPPORT JUDGE  
21 OTERO'S RULING, THE RESOLUTION ALSO CALLS TO REACH OUT TO  
22 OTHER V.S.O.S TO STAND SHOULDER TO SHOULDER TO STOP LAND GRAB  
23 ACROSS THE NATION. THIS FACILITY IS THE BIGGEST AND THE  
24 BUSIEST. SACRED TRUST IS WHAT THIS GRATEFUL NATION PROMISED TO  
25 VETERANS, VETERANS DID NOT MAKE THAT TERM UP. LAND GRAB HAS



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1 BEEN THE CANCER THAT HAS BEEN EATING AWAY AT IT, ESPECIALLY AT  
2 V.A. WEST L.A. YOUR CONCERNS FROM THE REPORTS OF THE POTHOLES  
3 IN YOUR DISTRICT TO THE WILLFUL TAKING OF THE LAND FOR YOUR  
4 VETERAN CONSTITUENTS SET ASIDE FOR HOUSING AND HEALING MUST BE  
5 SPOT ON. SUPERVISOR CANDIDATE, SUPERVISOR-ELECT SOLIS, PLEASE  
6 PAY CLOSE ATTENTION. DO NOT DRINK THE KOOL-AID. THANKS TO  
7 TECHNOLOGY, VETERANS ARE NETWORKED ACROSS THIS NATION. OVER  
8 THE RECENT COURSE OF THIS DEBATE, VETERAN ADVOCATES HAVE  
9 CONVINCED YOUR VETERAN ADVISORY COMMISSION TO DO THE RIGHT  
10 THING AND HOPEFULLY YOU ARE ABOUT TO FOLLOW THE LEAD, ALL FIVE  
11 OF YOU. HOWEVER, THE ATTEMPTS TO LAND GRAB THE HOME HAVE A  
12 LONG HISTORY, AND YOU SHOULD KNOW THE DIRTY DETAILS. IF YOU  
13 DON'T KNOW HOW MANY TIMES PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENTS HAVE  
14 ATTEMPTED TO TAKE THE HOME FROM THE VETERAN COMMUNITY, GOOGLE  
15 IT. IF YOU DO KNOW, SHAME ON YOU FOR NOT USING YOUR AUTHORITY  
16 TO CHALLENGE IT OR ALLOWING IT TO CONTINUE. UNLESS THIS BOARD  
17 IS STRICTLY DILIGENT, THE MATTER WILL NOT STOP WITH THIS  
18 MEETING OR WITH THIS DECISION. THIS TIME, SAVING THE HOME  
19 CALLS FOR MORE DIRECT ACTION THAN REITERATING THE ILLEGALITY  
20 OF NINE LEASES. YOUR DECISION TODAY MUST BE FOLLOWED UP TO END  
21 THIS DEBATE IN THE WORDS "PERMANENTLY MAINTAIN" AS STATED IN  
22 THE ACT OF 1887 AND THE DEED OF 1888 MUST BE STRONGLY  
23 REINFORCED BY YOU. THE ONLY STAKEHOLDER HERE IS THE VETERAN  
24 COMMUNITY AND IT HAS CALLED UPON YOU TO STOP LAND GRAB.

25

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE WRAP IT UP.

2

3    **FRANCISCO JUAREZ:** PLEASE DO THE RIGHT THING. THE DEED IS THE  
4    ONLY MASTER PLAN.

5

6    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

7

8    **FRANCISCO JUAREZ:** THANK YOU.

9

10    **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. I LIKE THE FIRST GENTLEMAN, HE  
11    DISCUSSED, OH, ARNOLD SACHS. FOLLOW THE RULE OF LAW. TALKING  
12    TO THE BOARD ABOUT FOLLOWING THE RULES OF LAW. WHOO. THIS IS  
13    FROM JUNE 22, 2011. V.A. PLAN CALLS FOR THREE OF THE 12  
14    BUILDINGS TO BE RENOVATED ON THE PROPERTY. THIS IS FROM  
15    NOVEMBER 9, 2011. "JUDGE TELLS V.A. TO SETTLE WITH VETS." AT  
16    THAT TIME THE V.A. RECENTLY ENACTED A NEW MASTER PLAN FOR THE  
17    CAMPUS THAT PROVIDES FOR MORE VETERAN HOUSING ON THE SITE.  
18    WHERE WAS THE BOARD AT THAT TIME? DID THEY APPROVE OF THAT  
19    ACTION? I DON'T BELIEVE THEY DID ANYTHING. AND THEN THIS ONE  
20    IS FROM SEPTEMBER OF LAST YEAR. THE FEDERAL JUDGE MADE THE  
21    RIGHT DECISION WHEN HE RULED LAST WEEK THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF  
22    VETERAN AFFAIRS HAD MISUSED ITS WEST LOS ANGELES CAMPUS. LAST  
23    YEAR. PART OF THIS LAWSUIT FILED BY THE A.C.L.U. WAS TO COMPEL  
24    THE V.A. TO PROVIDE PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING TO VETS.  
25    UNFORTUNATELY, THE JUDGE DISMISSED THAT ISSUE EARLY IN THE

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1 CASE. WHERE WAS THE BOARD ON THAT ACTION? I DON'T BELIEVE THEY  
2 DID ANYTHING. SO FOR THE 20 YEARS, GIVE OR TAKE, THAT'S AT THE  
3 END OF THE DAY, THE BOARD LIKES TO SAY, SOME BOARD MEMBERS,  
4 THAT'S 7,300 DAYS. PICK YOUR END. WHAT HAVE YOU DONE IN 20  
5 YEARS FOR THE V.A. HOSPITAL? THIS ONE SAID THAT THEY STOPPED  
6 DOING HOUSING BACK IN THE '60S AND '70S BECAUSE THEY COULDN'T  
7 AFFORD IT. SO EXACTLY REALLY WHAT HAVE YOU DONE FOR HOUSING AT  
8 THE V.A. CENTER OUT IN THE WEST L.A.? I KNOW IT'S PART OF THE  
9 WEST L.A. AREA THAT WE DON'T WANT THOSE TYPE OF PEOPLE AROUND,  
10 BUT WHAT EXACTLY HAVE YOU DONE? WHAT EXACTLY? FOLLOW THE RULE  
11 OF LAW. YOU'RE IN THE BACK. THE PROBLEM IS YOU'RE WAY IN THE  
12 BACK. WAY BACK.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR VERY, VERY  
15 KIND COMMENTS. ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM IS --

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU CAN BITE IT OUTSIDE IF YOU WANT,  
20 KEEP IT UP. YES?

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO MAKE AN AMENDMENT TO ITEM 42-A,  
23 AND I DISCUSSED IT WITH THE MAKER OF THE MOTION. FIRST, I'D  
24 LIKE TO ASK THE MAKER OF THE MOTION IF THE LETTER, IF THE  
25 FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER COULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY OF

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1 THE V.A., NOT THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT. I THINK THAT'S ON THE  
2 SUGGESTION OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, WE CAN COPY THE D.O.J.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S FINE. MR. CHAIRMAN, THIS IS A LONG,  
7 ONGOING SAGA, AS I THINK MANY IF NOT ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS  
8 KNOW, THIS BOARD HAS BEEN ON RECORD IN SUPPORT OF THE  
9 LEGISLATION THAT WAS CARRIED BY SENATOR FEINSTEIN AND  
10 CONGRESSMAN WAXMAN WHO REPRESENTS THAT AREA TO PREVENT THE  
11 V.A. PROPERTIES FROM BEING SOLD OFF, PARCELED OFF FOR PRIVATE  
12 USE OR FOR PRIVATIZATION BACK IN 2008 I BELIEVE THE YEAR WAS  
13 THAT THE LEGISLATION WAS FINALLY APPROVED AND SIGNED BY THE  
14 PRESIDENT UNDER DURESS AT THE TIME. THIS HAS NOT BEEN GOING ON  
15 FOR JUST 20 YEARS. IT'S BEEN GOING ON FOR PROBABLY MORE THAN  
16 50 YEARS. ONE OF THE FACILITIES THAT WAS CAUGHT UP IN THIS  
17 COURT CASE WAS JACKIE ROBINSON STADIUM, WHICH IS U.C.L.A.'S  
18 BASEBALL STADIUM, WHICH HAS BEEN LEASING THE V.A. SINCE BEFORE  
19 I WAS IN COLLEGE. SO THAT'S A LONG TIME. SO IT'S BEEN AN  
20 ONGOING SAGA. AND CLEARLY THERE'S BEEN A PUSH AND PULL ON WHAT  
21 THE APPROPRIATE USE OF THE PROPERTY, THE V.A. PROPERTY IS AND  
22 THE APPROPRIATE USE OF THE PROPERTY IS FOR VETERANS SERVICES,  
23 PERIOD, OVER AND OUT. THAT'S WHAT THE PROPERTY WAS DEEDED FOR  
24 IN THE FIRST PLACE IN THE LATE 19TH CENTURY AND THAT'S WHAT IT  
25 SHOULD BE USED FOR. I WANTED TO OFFER AN AMENDMENT THAT

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1 ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THERE IS A MEDIATION PROCESS THAT IS GOING  
2 ON AS WE SPEAK. THIS COURT CASE ON ITS OWN ONLY DEALS WITH THE  
3 DISPOSITION OF THE LEASES. IT DOESN'T DEAL WITH ANY INCREASE  
4 IN SERVICES TO VETERANS, ANY ATTENTION TO THE NEEDS THAT THE  
5 VETERANS HAVE WHO ARE COMING BACK FROM WAR WHO HAVE AND FROM  
6 MANY WARS. NONE OF THAT IS ADDRESSED IN THIS CASE. BUT THE  
7 MEDIATION THAT'S GOING ON BETWEEN THE PLAINTIFFS AND THE V.A.  
8 APPEARS TO BE BEARING A GOOD DEAL OF FRUIT. AND I TALKED TO  
9 BOTH SIDES, BOTH ON THE A.C.L.U. SIDE AND ON THE V.A. SIDE AND  
10 THEY BELIEVE THAT THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF PROGRESS MADE. SO I  
11 WANT THE BOARD TO ENDORSE THAT MEDIATION PROCESS. AND SO I  
12 WANT TO READ THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT IN. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT  
13 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE  
14 BOARD TO PREPARE AND SEND A FIVE SIGNATURE LETTER AND PERHAPS  
15 IT CAN BE SYNTHESIZED AND PART OF THE SAME LETTER SO WE ONLY  
16 HAVE ONE LETTER FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF  
17 SUPERVISORS TO SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS ROBERT A.  
18 MCDONALD AND TO THE A.C.L.U. FOUNDATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
19 WHO REPRESENTS THE PLAINTIFFS IN THIS CASE SUPPORTING THE  
20 ONGOING MEDIATION AND ENCOURAGING THE MEDIATION IN THE MANNER  
21 THAT RESOLVES THE DISPUTES THAT WERE AT ISSUE IN THE LAWSUIT.  
22 PRINCIPALLY EXPANDED SERVICES TO VETERANS WHO ARE HOMELESS AND  
23 HOW HAVE HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND OTHER  
24 SERVICE-RELATED ISSUES. AND SECOND THAT WE DIRECT THE  
25 EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD TO SEND COPIES OF THE LETTER TO

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1 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION, DIRECTOR OF  
2 THE V.A. OF THE GREATER LOS ANGELES HEALTHCARE SYSTEM AND THE  
3 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES VETERANS ADVISORY COMMISSION.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THAT'S IN ADDITION TO THE LETTER  
6 STILL SUPPORTING JUDGE OH OTERO'S DECISION. ARE YOU OKAY WITH  
7 THAT AMENDMENT? OKAY.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MY DEPUTY HAS SPOKEN WITH BOTH THE VETERAN'S  
10 ADVISORY COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES FROM MY DISTRICT IS GARY  
11 CHAPMAN AND CARVEL GAY WHO SERVE ON THAT COMMISSION AND BOTH  
12 WERE SUPPORTIVE OF THE MOTION AND VOTED FOR THE ORIGINAL  
13 LETTER TO THE BOARD REQUESTING OUR SUPPORT OF JUDGE OTERO'S  
14 JUDGMENT. MY DEPUTY REGULARLY ATTENDS THE VETERAN'S ADVISORY  
15 COMMISSION MEETING AND IS IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH THE DEPARTMENT  
16 AND MY COMMISSIONERS AND SHE HAS ALWAYS BRIEFED ME. AND HER  
17 HUSBAND IS ON ACTIVE DUTY AT THIS TIME AND A VETERAN OF THE  
18 MIDDLE EASTERN WAR. THE LETTER BEING REQUESTED SENDS A STRONG  
19 MESSAGE THAT THE BOARD SUPPORTS THE VETERANS AND IS COMMITTED  
20 TO ADDRESSING THOSE CRITICAL NEEDS OF OUR HOMELESS VETERANS.  
21 WE MUST CONTINUE TO PURSUE AND SUPPORT PROGRAMS TO ADDRESS  
22 ALSO THE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OF OUR HOMELESS VETERANS WITH THE  
23 HOUSING COMPLEX, AS WELL. THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT SHOULD HAVE  
24 COME TO THE BOARD MONTHS AGO. AND I'M GLAD IT'S HERE TODAY SO  
25 WE CAN MOVE FORWARD BECAUSE IT IS AN ISSUE THAT DOES IMPACT

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1 THE ORIGINAL LANGUAGE OF THAT DEED, THE VETERANS' FACILITY.  
2 AND WE SHOULD BE SUPPORTING THOSE EFFORTS TO ASSURE THAT THAT  
3 DEED IS GOING TO BE RESPECTED AND CARRIED OUT, THE INTEGRITY  
4 OF THOSE WHO PROVIDED THAT PROPERTY TO THE COUNTY OF LOS  
5 ANGELES AGES AGO.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITH THAT AS AMENDED AND WE WILL  
8 SEND THAT LETTER. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR  
9 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.

10 [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO SEND IT TO OUR CITIES. ALL THE CITY  
13 MAYORS AND COUNCILMEMBERS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT?

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SEND IT TO THE CITIES.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S AS AMENDED, CORRECT?

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS IT POSSIBLE WE CAN SYNTHESIZE THE TWO  
24 LETTERS TO MAKE ONE?

25



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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WOULD BE GOOD. YEAH.

2

3    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

4

5    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CAN WE START ONE MINUTE EARLY? ITEM NO.

6    11, ITEM S-1. IT'S 11 O'CLOCK. REPORT BY THE TRANSITION TEAM

7    OR SOMEBODY? GO AHEAD. ITEM IS S-1.

8

9    **LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE:** GOOD MORNING. WE ARE HAPPY TO BE HERE

10    BEFORE YOU, OUR FIRST TIME AS THE TRANSITION TEAM. AND UPDATE

11    YOU AS TO WHERE WE ARE TO THIS POINT. GIVE YOU A FEW OF OUR

12    THOUGHTS. I THINK I'M GOING TO BEGIN -- I'M LESLIE GILBERT-

13    LURIE AND I'M COCHAIR WITH DR. KATZ OF THE TRANSITION TEAM.

14    AND WE ALSO HAVE ANOTHER TEAM MEMBER HERE, TEAM MEMBER TEAGUE,

15    JANET TEAGUE. SO, I JUST WANT TO EMPHASIZE UPFRONT THE SPIRIT

16    IN WHICH WE'RE HERE AND THE SPIRIT IN WHICH WE ARE GOING ABOUT

17    OUR TASK. WE DO NOT SEE OURSELVES IN ANY WAY AS ADVERSARIES TO

18    THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. WE'RE HERE TO SUPPORT AND WHERE

19    APPROPRIATE CHALLENGE YOU IN THE MOST CONSTRUCTIVE WAY FOR THE

20    BENEFIT OF THE SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN. AND WE WANT TO REMIND

21    YOU THAT THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION RECOMMENDED AN OVERSIGHT

22    TEAM SUCH AS OURS TO BEGIN WITH BECAUSE SUCH OVERSIGHT TEAMS

23    HAVE BEEN AND ARE HELPFUL TO CHILD WELFARE SYSTEMS IN OTHER

24    STATES AND REGIONS. WE BELIEVE THAT OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU,

25    AND THE MODEL THAT YOU SET IN DEALING WITH US IF POSITIVE AND

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1 COLLABORATIVE WILL ENCOURAGE THE BEST CANDIDATES TO APPLY FOR  
2 THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION. SO I WAS GOING  
3 TO SAY A FEW WORDS TO YOU THIS MORNING ABOUT WHAT WE'VE BEEN  
4 THINKING ABOUT THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION  
5 AND THEN DR. KATZ IS GOING TO TAKE IT FROM THERE. THE BLUE  
6 RIBBON COMMISSION HAD A FAIRLY SPECIFIC VISION OF THE  
7 QUALITIES THAT THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION  
8 SHOULD ENCOMPASS. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY UP FRONT THAT A LOT  
9 OF THIS THINKING WAS DONE BY OUR LATE COMMISSIONER DR. ANDREA  
10 RICH, WHOM WE DEEPLY MISS AND WHOSE THINKING WAS INFUSED IN A  
11 GREAT DEAL OF OUR WORK. THE TRANSITION TEAM HAS ELABORATED ON  
12 THE QUALITIES THAT THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION SET TO BE  
13 SURE THAT YOU, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ARE CLEAR ON OUR  
14 VISION AS YOU BEGIN YOUR SEARCH. AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE  
15 SUGGESTED LANGUAGE WE PROVIDED, WE URGE YOU TO PRESENT THIS  
16 POSITION AS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY AND A CHALLENGE FOR A VERY  
17 SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL. WE STATED SPECIFICALLY IN OUR LANGUAGE  
18 THAT WE GAVE TO YOU WHICH WE SEE AS A DRAFT, BY THE WAY, IT  
19 DOES NEED TO BE TWEAKED AND WE WILL GET YOU REVISED LANGUAGE.  
20 BUT WHAT WE DID STATE SPECIFICALLY IS THAT THE FOUNDING  
21 DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION WILL HAVE THE  
22 OPPORTUNITY TO FORGE A TRANSFORMATIONAL PROCESS FOR THE  
23 PROTECTION OF CHILDREN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND WE REALLY  
24 HOPE YOU SEE IT THE SAME WAY. THE TRANSITION TEAM ENVISIONS  
25 THE DIRECTOR AS HAVING A WIDE VARIETY OF TALENTS AND

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1 RESPONSIBILITIES THAT RANGE FROM WORKING WITH YOU TO SET A  
2 STRATEGIC VISION FOR CHILD SAFETY IN THE COUNTY TO LEVERAGING  
3 RESOURCES AND TALENTS OF ALL RELEVANT COUNTY AGENCIES,  
4 DEPARTMENTS AND COMMISSIONS, TO BREAKING DOWN SILOS. THE BLUE  
5 RIBBON COMMISSION AND NOW OUR TEAM THINKS IT'S VERY IMPORTANT  
6 THAT THE DIRECTOR BE EXTRAORDINARY. AT A MINIMUM, HE OR SHE  
7 SHOULD POSSESS THE FOLLOWING EXPERIENCES AND/OR TRAITS. ONE,  
8 HAVE HAD SUCCESS IN LEADING CHANGE IN COMPLEX ORGANIZATIONS.  
9 TWO, BE COMFORTABLE CHALLENGING EXISTING POLICIES AND STRONG  
10 LEADERS; THREE, HAVE A PASSION FOR PROTECTING CHILDREN AND BE  
11 WELL VERSED IN THE AREA OF CHILD SAFETY AND, FINALLY, HAVE  
12 EXPERIENCE WORKING POSITIVELY AND COLLABORATIVELY ACROSS  
13 GOVERNMENTS, AGENCIES OR DEPARTMENTS IN ORDER TO LEVERAGE  
14 TALENTS AND RESOURCES FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORGANIZATION AS A  
15 WHOLE. FOUR MEMBERS OF THE TRANSITION TEAM WERE ON THE BLUE  
16 RIBBON COMMISSION THAT ENVISIONED THE OFFICE OF CHILD  
17 PROTECTION AND ITS DIRECTOR. CONSEQUENTLY, WE BELIEVE WE COULD  
18 PLAY A VERY USEFUL, SUPPORTING ROLE IN YOUR SEARCH PROCESS BY  
19 MEETING YOUR TOP CANDIDATES AND PROVIDING YOU WITH FEEDBACK,  
20 JUST ADDITIONAL INFORMATION UPON WHICH YOU, THEN, CAN MAKE  
21 YOUR DECISION AS TO THE DIRECTOR. THE TRANSITION TEAM  
22 HOPEFULLY SEES ITSELF AS YOU ENVISIONED IT: WE'RE  
23 TRANSITIONAL. THE ENDURING STRUCTURE WE ARE HELPING TO CREATE  
24 MUST AND WILL CONTINUE BEYOND US. BUT THE DIRECTOR WILL NOT BE  
25 HIRED OVERNIGHT. WE HOPE TO BE AS USEFUL AS POSSIBLE IN

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1   HELPING YOU ATTRACT THE BEST PERSON POSSIBLE AND CONTINUING TO  
2   HELP YOU STRUCTURE WHAT THE OFFICE WILL LOOK LIKE IN THE  
3   MEANTIME. IN ADDITION, WE ENVISION FACILITATING AND MONITORING  
4   THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS UNTIL THE  
5   DIRECTOR'S IN PLACE AND FULLY FUNCTIONING. THANK YOU.

6

7   **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, DR. MITCH KATZ,  
8   DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES AND PROUD TO BE A COCHAIRMAN OF  
9   THE TRANSITION TEAM WITH LESLIE. THE SECOND DOCUMENT IN YOUR  
10   PACKET IS AN EXPLANATION OF HOW WE SEE THE ROLES AND  
11   RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE TRANSITION TEAM. CLEARLY, WE NEED TO  
12   BE ON THE SAME PAGE AS THE BOARD SO THAT WE'RE DOING THE WORK  
13   THAT THE BOARD WANTS US TO DO AND SO THAT OUR WORK IS AS  
14   IMPACTFUL AS POSSIBLE. LESLIE HAS ALREADY EXPLAINED THAT WE  
15   HAVE, I THINK, PRETTY MUCH FINISHED THE FIRST JOB, WHICH IS  
16   WORKING ON THE JOB DESCRIPTION AND DESIRED QUALITIES AND  
17   EXPERIENCE OF THE DIRECTOR. I THINK OF ALL OF THE  
18   RESPONSIBILITIES LISTED, AMONG THE MOST IMPORTANT ARE TO  
19   IMPLEMENT AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE  
20   BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION. THAT WAS VERY CLEAR IN YOUR MOTION TO  
21   US. AND WE RECOGNIZE THAT IT MIGHT BE MANY MONTHS BEFORE THERE  
22   IS SOMEBODY IN THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION. AND WE WANT TO  
23   MAKE SURE THAT OUR CHILDREN DO NOT HAVE TO WAIT FOR THAT  
24   POSITION TO BE FILLED IN ORDER FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE  
25   IMPLEMENTED. WE RECOGNIZE THAT SOME OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS,

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1 SUCH AS THOSE AROUND THE MEDICAL HUBS, THE PUBLIC HEALTH  
2 NURSES REQUIRE THAT DECISIONS ARE MADE. AND WE WANT TO BE ABLE  
3 TO WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENTS. WE FEEL THAT ONE OF THE THINGS  
4 THAT'S COME OUT VERY CLEARLY FROM THE DISCUSSIONS IS THAT THE  
5 CENTRAL ROLE BOTH FOR US AS A TRANSITION TEAM AND FOR THE  
6 OFFICE GOING FORWARD IS THE RECOGNITION THAT THE SERVICES THAT  
7 PROTECT CHILDREN ARE IN MULTIPLE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS. AND I  
8 THINK THAT IN DIFFERENT WAYS WE ALL COME BACK TO THAT. HOW DO  
9 WE TAKE THE SERVICES THAT ARE AVAILABLE IN THE D.A.'S OFFICE  
10 AND HEALTH SERVICES AND IN MENTAL HEALTH AND IN THE DEPARTMENT  
11 OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. WE RECOGNIZE THERE IN ALL OF  
12 THOSE PLACES AND OTHER PLACES AND HOW DO WE COORDINATE THAT?  
13 BECAUSE NO MATTER HOW GOOD THE INDIVIDUAL DEPARTMENT HEADS ARE  
14 DOING THEIR RESPECTIVE JOBS, UNLESS THERE IS AN ACTIVE  
15 INTEGRATION OF THOSE ROLES, CHILDREN WILL NOT BE IN THE BEST  
16 POSITION. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE OTHER MEMBER IF SHE WOULD  
17 LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

18

19 **JANET TEAGUE:** I THINK YOU PRETTY OF SUMMED IT UP.

20

21 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS. TO THE TRANSITION  
24 TEAM, YOU'RE IN A UNIQUE POSITION, DR. KATZ AS A DEPARTMENT  
25 HEAD WHO IS COCHAIRING THIS TRANSITION TEAM, FROM YOUR

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1 PERSPECTIVE, WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE PRIORITY FOR THIS  
2 TRANSITION TEAM?

3

4 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** I THINK TRYING GET THE DIFFERENT  
5 DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE SOME PART OF THE PUZZLE TO FIGURE OUT  
6 HOW TO WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE CHILDREN SAFER. IT'S THE  
7 RECOGNIZING THAT ALL OF THE DEPARTMENTS MAY BE DOING THEIR  
8 JOB, BUT UNLESS PEOPLE ARE DOING THEIR JOB TOGETHER, CHILDREN  
9 ARE NOT MAXIMALLY PROTECTED.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND, LESLIE, DID EACH MEMBER OF THE  
12 TRANSITION TEAM HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW AND ALSO  
13 APPROVE THESE DOCUMENTS BEFORE THEY WERE SUBMITTED TO THE  
14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS?

15

16 **LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE:** YES. WE VOTED ON THEM AT THE LAST  
17 MEETING.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WAS IT A UNANIMOUS VOTE?

20

21 **LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE:** YES.

22

23 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** YES.

24

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1   **LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE:** AND AS I SAID, THIS IS ALL GOING VERY  
2   QUICKLY. WE SEE IT AS OUR ROLE AS NOT TO HOLD ANYTHING UP. NOT  
3   TO HOLD UP YOUR SEARCH. BUT THIS IS A WORK IN PROGRESS. SO  
4   THERE MIGHT BE DOCUMENTS WE'RE SUBMITTING TO YOU AND TWO WEEKS  
5   LATER, WE MIGHT HAVE ANOTHER IDEA WE FEEL THAT WE HAVE TO BE  
6   NIMBLE AND KEEP YOU UP TO SPEED AS TO THE BEST OF OUR  
7   THINKING.

8

9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CURRENTLY YOU HAVE STAFFING FROM THE C.E.O.  
10   AND THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. AND THAT  
11   STAFFING SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT FOR YOUR NEEDS?

12

13   **LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE:** WE FEEL VERY STRONGLY THAT WE NEED AN  
14   EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. THAT DIRECTOR COULD COME -- COULD WILL BE  
15   ALREADY EMPLOYED SOMEWHERE IN THE COUNTY AND BE LOANED TO US.  
16   BUT YOU HAVE HERDED A GROUP WITH A WIDE RANGE OF TALENTS. WE  
17   HAVE DOCTORS, PH.D.S, JUDGES, LAWYERS. IT'S A TALENTED GROUP  
18   WHOM I BELIEVE COULD BE VERY USEFUL TO THE PROCESS AS IT HAS  
19   IN A NUMBER OF OTHER STATES. BUT WE NEED SOMEONE WHOSE EYE IS  
20   REALLY ON THE BALL OF MOVING THIS FORWARD. THAT WAS VERY  
21   HELPFUL IN OUR BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION PROCESS. AND WE NEED  
22   SOMEONE LIKE THIS AVAILABLE TO AT LEAST -- DR. KATZ AND I FEEL  
23   THAT WAY -- WHO CAN REALLY GUIDE ALL OF OUR ENERGIES OVER THE  
24   NEXT THREE TO SIX MONTHS.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE EXISTING STAFF  
2    THAT YOU HAVE?

3

4    **LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE:** WE DON'T KNOW THAT WE HAVE AN EXECUTIVE  
5    DIRECTOR.

6

7    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU DON'T HAVE AN EXECUTIVE, THAT'S  
8    CORRECT. BUT FROM THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND HEALTH SERVICES,  
9    WHAT'S --

10

11   **LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE:** IT'S OUR POINT OF VIEW -- I CANNOT  
12   EXPRESS TO YOU HOW USEFUL IT WAS TO HAVE EILEEN ADAMS AND  
13   CHERYL GRILLS LEADING US IN THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION  
14   PROCESS. AND THERE ARE A LOT OF IDEAS. AND WE BELIEVE THERE'S  
15   A LOT OF INFORMATION THAT COULD BE HELPFUL IN WORKING WITH THE  
16   DEPARTMENT HEADS, LEVERAGING THE BEST OF WHAT YOU HAVE IN THE  
17   COUNTY. IF THERE IS SOMEONE AVAILABLE TO US TO TAKE OUR IDEAS  
18   AND HELP IMPLEMENT THEM WHEN WE'RE WORKING IN OUR DAY JOBS. WE  
19   DON'T BELIEVE -- WE BELIEVE WE'RE IMPOSING, IN A SENSE, WE  
20   DON'T BELIEVE WE HAVE ACCESS TO THAT SORT OF PERSON WITH THAT  
21   EXECUTIVE EXPERIENCE RIGHT NOW ON A FULL ENOUGH TIME BASIS.

22

23   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU KNOW IF I COULD JUST ON THIS ONE ISSUE,  
24   WHAT BOTHERS ME ABOUT THIS IS: WE'RE NOT SEEING EYE TO EYE ON  
25   WHAT'S THE MOST IMPORTANT THING FOR US. THE MOST IMPORTANT

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1    THING FOR US TO DO RIGHT NOW IS TO GET THE OFFICE OF CHILD  
2    PROTECTION PERSON HIRED. NOW, IT'S BEEN PROBABLY A COUPLE OF  
3    MONTHS NOW SINCE WE HIRED THE SEARCH FIRM. THE SEARCH FIRM HAS  
4    OPERATED, IN MY OPINION, VERY SLOWLY. TOO SLOWLY. AND IS  
5    RESPONDING TO TOO MANY PEOPLE ABOUT THIS. AND WE ARE NOW IN  
6    AUGUST. AUGUST 19TH. AND WE ARE NO CLOSER TO HIRING OR EVEN  
7    SEARCHING FOR THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION PERSON THAN WE  
8    WERE A MONTH AGO. AND THEN WE GET SIDETRACKED BY THIS BUSINESS  
9    ABOUT TRANSITION TEAM WANTING A STAFF. I THINK YOU'VE BEEN  
10   OFFERED A STAFF. A NUMBER OF PEOPLE HAVE BEEN OFFERED UP, I'M  
11   TOLD BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE, BY THE C.E.O., BY MITCH HIMSELF.  
12   IT'S MORE IMPORTANT FOR US TO GET THE OFFICE OF CHILD  
13   PROTECTION HIRED THAN IT IS TO GET YOUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
14   HIRED. WE NEVER APPROVED A STAFF FOR THE TRANSITION TEAM.

15

16   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXACTLY.

17

18   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO I, FRANKLY, WAS SURPRISED TO LEARN THAT  
19   THIS WAS LIKE A TRAIN THAT WAS LEAVING THE STATION. WE NEVER -  
20   - THIS IS OUR CALL. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PAY FOR IT. AND WE  
21   NEED TO BE ON THE SAME PAGE. AND IT'S BEEN TWO SHIPS PASSING  
22   IN THE NIGHT. SO I TELL YOU MY FRUSTRATION IS AT THE RATE  
23   WE'RE GOING, TWO MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD ARE GOING TO LEAVE THIS  
24   BOARD HAVING HAD SIX MONTHS TO APPROVE AN OFFICE OF CHILD  
25   PROTECTION PERSON AND NOT HAVE HIM HIRED. AND I DON'T KNOW

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1 WHETHER THERE'S ANY -- I'M NOT DIRECTING THIS AT YOU. BUT  
2 WHETHER THERE'S IN THE SYSTEM ANY INTENTIONALITY TO HOLD THIS  
3 APPOINTMENT UP UNTIL SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND I ARE GONE, OR NOT.  
4 BUT IT LOOKS TO ME VERY, VERY SUSPICIOUS. EVEN WE CAN MOVE  
5 FASTER THAN THIS PARTICULAR HIRING SEARCH HAS MOVED. AND I'M  
6 AT THE POINT, MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT IF WE'RE NOT GOING TO GET ANY  
7 -- I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO DISCUSS THIS AT SOME POINT. IF WE'RE  
8 NOT GOING TO GET ANY TRACTION WITH OUR SEARCH FIRM, THEN WE  
9 MAY WANT TO JUST TAKE MATTERS IN OUR OWN HANDS.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I MADE IT CLEAR TO THE SEARCH FIRM THAT  
12 SPEED IS OF THE ESSENCE AND IT NEEDS TO BE -- I MEAN I FELT  
13 THAT THE TRANSITION TEAM WAS PRESSURING THE SEARCH FIRM. AND  
14 HE FELT HE WAS RESPONDING TO THEM MORE SO THAN TO US. AND AT  
15 THE END OF THE DAY --

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK IT'S PROBABLY TRUTH IN BOTH. I HAD A  
18 TALK WITH HIM, AS WE ALL DID, WHEN HE FIRST CAME ON BOARD. MR.  
19 OPPENHEIMER. OPPENHEIM OR OPPENHEIMER? OPPENHEIM. BUT WE'RE  
20 KIND OF ARGUING ABOUT THE SHAPE OF THE TABLE IN PARIS WHILE  
21 THE WAR IS GOING ON.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEP.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL GIVE YOU ALL THE TIME YOU WANT.

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I'M THE CHAIR.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL THE TIME THAT THE CHAIR WILL ALLOW ME TO  
5 GIVE YOU. ANYWAY. THAT'S MY POINT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET'S ASK THE C.E.O. ON THE STAFFING THAT  
8 YOU'RE PROVIDING.

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, IN WORKING WITH YOUR EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
11 SACHI HAMAI, WE HAVE STAFF WHO CAN STEP UP AND ASSIST THIS  
12 IMPORTANT EFFORT. I KNOW MS. HAMAI HAS ALSO IDENTIFIED AN  
13 INDIVIDUAL WHO I THINK IS HIGHLY QUALIFIED THAT CAN FUNCTION  
14 IN THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ROLE. I THINK BETWEEN THE TWO OF US  
15 WE CAN JUST TAKE CARE OF THIS ONE ISSUE RIGHT AWAY.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE:** MAY I RESPOND?

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE A REQUEST TO ASK HER. WOULD YOU  
22 RESPOND?

23

24 **LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. I  
25 WOULD SAY THAT WE HAVE NO DISAGREEMENT WITH YOU ON ANYTHING

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1 THAT YOU SAID. WE WEREN'T HERE TODAY TO ADVOCATE FURTHER FOR  
2 AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. WE'VE BEEN GIVEN THE HELP WE NEED IN  
3 FINDING ONE. AND WE WERE VERY CLEAR WITH THE SEARCH FIRM THAT  
4 WE WANT TO DO NOTHING TO GET IN THE WAY OF SLOWING DOWN THE  
5 SEARCH. AS I SAID WE WANT TO BE SUPPORTIVE OF THE PROCESS AND  
6 BE HELPFUL IN THE PROCESS. AND TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS, JUST  
7 TO EXPAND FOR ONE SENTENCE, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WE DO SEE  
8 US AS ONLY REALLY HAVING TWO ROLES. ONE IS BEING HERE UNTIL  
9 THAT DIRECTOR IS HIRED AND HELPING TO STRUCTURE THE OFFICE IN  
10 THE MEANTIME AND SEEING THAT AS MANY RECOMMENDATIONS CAN BE  
11 IMPLEMENTED AS ARE ABLE TO BE IMPLEMENTED BEFORE THAT OFFICE  
12 IS IN PLACE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO BEING OUT OF BUSINESS. AND WE  
13 HOPE YOU HIRE THE DIRECTOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THERE IS  
14 NOTHING THAT IS GOING TO COME OUT OF OUR TEAM THAT IS GOING TO  
15 SLOW DOWN THE PROCESS.

16  
17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S AN ADVISORY  
20 ROLE. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE OF THAT. YES, SUPERVISOR  
21 RIDLEY-THOMAS? NO, I WAS JUST COMMENTING ABOUT THERE'S NO  
22 CONFLICT. BUT I WANT TO MAKE -- THERE'S A LOT OF "WE WANT" AND  
23 "WE WANT THAT" AND I AM JUST CONCERNED THAT WE MAINTAIN THAT  
24 ADVISORY RELATIONSHIP AND THAT THE BOARD IS ULTIMATELY GOING  
25 TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT DECISION. YES?

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2   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LET ME JUST SIMPLY OFFER A COUPLE OF  
3   INSIGHTS, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES. FIRST OF WHICH IS THAT  
4   THE TRANSITION TEAMS PERIODIC REPORTS TO US SHOULD CONTINUE SO  
5   THAT WE CAN HAVE THE KIND OF OPEN DIALOGUE AND EXCHANGES BEING  
6   EVIDENCED TODAY IN THAT CONTEXT, I BELIEVE THAT WE CAN CLARIFY  
7   WHAT PROGRESS MEANS. AND HOW WE CAN REALLY REINFORCE THE  
8   COMMITMENT THAT EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD HAS MADE, EACH MEMBER  
9   OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE DID MAKE, AND WHAT THE TRANSITION  
10   TEAM SEEKS TO DO. IT ONLY TAKES A LOOK AT THE NEWSPAPER TODAY  
11   AND THE RECOUNTING OF THE GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION REGARDING  
12   GABRIEL FERNANDEZ TO REMIND US SEARING TERMS WHILE WE MUST DO  
13   WHAT WE ARE DOING. AND WHY IN FACT PROTECTION OF THE  
14   VULNERABLE, AT RISK YOUNGSTERS IN OUR COUNTY REQUIRES ALL THAT  
15   WE CAN GIVE IT, STRUCTURALLY, SYSTEMICALLY, MORALLY. LEGALLY.  
16   IT ONLY TAKES A REVIEW OF THAT ARTICLE. IF YOU HAVEN'T READ  
17   IT, MAY I SIMPLY COMMEND IT TO YOU. I THINK THE TRANSITION  
18   TEAM AND ITS MEMBERS SEEK TO ADD VALUE TO THAT VERY  
19   PROPOSITION. I BELIEVE THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD  
20   UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS WORK TO BE DONE AND WE CAN ULTIMATELY  
21   ARRIVE AT THE SAME PLACE. GET ON THE SAME PAGE. IT WAS THE  
22   DECISION OF THE BOARD TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE OFFICE OF CHILD  
23   PROTECTION. SOME THINGS WERE CLEAR AND ARE OBVIOUS, SOME  
24   THINGS WERE NOT. BUT WE NEED TO KEEP MOVING FORWARD AN AGENDA  
25   THAT GETS US WHERE WE NEED TO BE. THE BUSINESS OF THE MEDICAL

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1 HUBS, ANOTHER PRIORITY, WE NEED TO GET TO THAT TASK. IT IS NOT  
2 REDUCIBLE TO THE SELECTION THE PERSON WHO WILL LEAD THE OFFICE  
3 ALONE. THERE ARE MANY OTHER THINGS, I WOULD HOPE, THAT WOULD  
4 COME BACK TO THE BOARD PURSUANT TO YOUR DELIBERATIONS TO  
5 SUGGEST WHAT PROGRESS LOOKS LIKE. IN OTHER WORDS. MAY I SIMPLY  
6 REQUEST NOT TO GET STUCK EXCLUSIVELY ON THIS ELECTION OF THE  
7 LEAD PERSON FOR THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION TO CAPTURE THE  
8 SPIRIT AND INTENT OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION AND THE  
9 PRIORITIES THAT WERE SET FORTH BY WAY OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR  
10 THE PURPOSE OF KEEPING THIS AGENDA MOVING FORWARD IN  
11 CONSULTATION, IN CONCERT WITH MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I REPEAT.  
12 IT ONLY TAKES US TO BE REMINDED BY WAY OF THAT ARTICLE IN THE  
13 PAPER TODAY AS TO WHY WE MUST STAY LASER LIKE FOCUSED ON THE  
14 BUSINESS OF CHILD PROTECTION AS OUR SINGLE MOST PRIORITY. TO  
15 GET DISTRACTED IN ANY OTHER WAY ULTIMATELY IS A DISSERVICE TO  
16 THE TOTAL AGENDA. AND IT WILL CONTRADICT THE GOOD WORK, THE  
17 QUALITY WORK, THE HARD WORK THAT WAS DONE BY THE BLUE RIBBON  
18 COMMISSION AND THAT WHICH IS BEING TAKEN FORWARD BY THE  
19 TRANSITION TEAM IN COOPERATION, IN CONSULTATION OF THE BOARD  
20 OF SUPERVISORS. MR. CHAIRMAN?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY FURTHER COMMENT? IF NOT, THANK YOU  
23 ALL VERY MUCH. WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE NEXT REPORT. THANK YOU.  
24 ALL RIGHT. OH. AND WE HAVE SOME PUBLIC COMMENT AFTER -- DR.  
25 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ERIC PREVEN? AND ARNOLD SACHS.



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2 **ERIC PREVEN:** OKAY. ITS ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY RESIDENT FROM

3 DISTRICT 3. AND I CONCUR WITH MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS WHO HAS

4 STEPPED OUT, I GUESS, THAT IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE FOCUS

5 REMAIN FIXED ON THE JOB AT HAND. MAYOR -- I MEAN SUPERVISOR

6 YAROSLAVSKY REMEMBERS, I BELIEVE, THAT WE HIRED A FIRM LIKE

7 MR. OPPENHEIM TO LOOK FOR THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL AND

8 IT WENT ON AND ON AND ON. AND NOW SUDDENLY FOR THE COMMISSION

9 THAT HE WAS NOT INTERESTED IN, HE WANTS TO GET THIS THING DONE

10 BEFORE HE LEAVES OFFICE. NOW, I AGREE WITH HIM, OF COURSE. BUT

11 I JUST POINT THAT OUT. AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S NOT HERE TODAY.

12 I WOULD SAY THAT THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION SHOULD HAVE, AND I

13 URGE THEM TO MAKE SOME RECOMMENDATIONS OF NAMES, THE IDEA THAT

14 THESE NAMES AS ALISA B. KATZ ONCE TOLD ME ABOUT OFFICE OF

15 INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE SHERIFF'S OVERSIGHT GROUP NEEDS TO

16 BE STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL IS FLATLY ABSURD. WE'RE LOOKING FOR A

17 VERY PUBLIC ROLE HERE. SOMEBODY WHO WILL TAKE AN ACTIVE TASK

18 OF INTEGRATING DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE NOT EXCITED ABOUT SHARING

19 THEIR RESOURCES UNFORTUNATELY. THEY WANT TO GET TO THE SAME

20 GOAL BUT THEY DON'T WANT TO SHARE THEIR RESOURCES. SO WE

21 REALLY NEEDED A BIG LARGER THAN LIFE CHARACTER, A GUY LIKE

22 AUSTIN HOWEVER YOU SAY HIS NAME, BUTNER, WHO MOVED ON TO BE

23 THE HEAD OF THE L.A. TIMES SURPRISINGLY. OR WHAT ABOUT SOME OF

24 THESE CHARACTERS. LIKE IF SHEILA KUEHL OR BOBBY SCHRIVER

25 LOSES, WHAT ABOUT A CHARACTER LIKE THAT? WOULD THAT BE THE

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1   KIND OF RIGHT PERSON, PUTTING NAMES INTO THE MIX? BOBBY  
2   SCHRIVER LIKES TO SHAKE THINGS UP. SHEILA KUEHL CERTAINLY HAS  
3   NINE LIVES OR WANTS NINE LIVES. I MEAN WHOEVER LOSES COULD BE  
4   A CANDIDATE OR MAYBE WE CAN'T WAIT THAT LONG. WHAT ABOUT  
5   SOMEONE LIKE ALEX JOHNSON WHO IS A WORK IN EDUCATION BUT ALSO  
6   LAW ENFORCEMENT AND IS A CERTAINLY AN UP AND RISING STAR IN  
7   THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT. I MEAN SOMEBODY NEEDS TO BE MAKING SOME  
8   SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS. AND THE FACT THAT WE HAVE BEEN  
9   CIRCLING AROUND AND SEEING THE VARIOUS TENTACLES OF MISS HAMAI  
10   AND MR. FUJIOKA WONDERING WHICH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PUT ON  
11   THE PAYROLL HERE, I DON'T THINK WE NEED ANOTHER PIECE OF  
12   PAYROLL. I THINK WHAT WE NEED IS THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO  
13   LOOK INTO THE COMMUNITY THAT THEY'VE BEEN LOOKING AT AND BY  
14   THE WAY, JUST TO BE VERY CLEAR, WE'RE ALSO LOOKING FOR ANOTHER  
15   COUNTY COUNSEL, A NEW C.E.O., A NEW DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH,  
16   A NEW AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. SO THEY'RE JUMPING OFF THE SHIP AND  
17   WE NEED TO FIND SOMEBODY TO HELP THESE CHILDREN.

18

19   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T THINK YOU CAN CALL JUMPING OFF  
20   THE SHIP 40 YEARS OF SERVICE. YOU KNOW, JUST, YOU KNOW, YOU  
21   GOT TO TELL THE TRUTH SOMETIMES.

22

23   **ERIC PREVEN:** I ALWAYS TELL THE TRUTH, SIR. JOHN KRATTLI  
24   RETIRED LIKE THAT. AND NOW HIS GUY SITTING THERE I WOULD NOT  
25   CALL TRANSITION.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 38 YEARS, THAT'S NOT BAD.

3

4 **ERIC PREVEN:** WHY DO YOU DO IT LIKE THAT?

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S HIS CHOICE.

7

8 **ERIC PREVEN:** AND WHY DID YOU DO IT LIKE THAT? THE WAY YOU DO  
9 IT PROPERLY IS YOU REPLACE YOURSELF WITH SOMEONE WHO IS GREAT  
10 FOR THE JOB. YOU DON'T WAIT SO THAT THERE'S A SIX-MONTH GAP.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I FORGOT TO ASK YOU, I'M SORRY.

13

14 **ERIC PREVEN:** OR LIKE THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, A TWO-  
15 YEAR GAP FROM THE BRILLIANT C.C.J.V. WHICH HAD REPETITIVE  
16 RECOMMENDATIONS AND HAS RESULTED IN A BRAND NEW JAIL TO BE  
17 BROUGHT YOU BY A.E.C.O.M. I'M UPSET BECAUSE I WANT --

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, NEXT.

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. GOOD MORNING,  
22 ARNOLD SACHS. QUITE A PRESENTATION. YOUR REFERENCE, SUPERVISOR  
23 YAROSLAVSKY ABOUT THE SHAPE OF THE TABLE WHILE THE WAR IS  
24 GOING ON IS AN OVERVIEW OF THE VIETNAM WAR. WHICH SIDE WERE  
25 YOU ON? FIRST YOU TAKE THE SIDE OF SHAPING THE TABLE. THEN YOU

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1 TAKE THE SIDE OF PEACE NEGOTIATIONS. WHICH SIDE ARE YOU ON?  
2 YOU HEARD A COUPLE DIFFERENT WAYS. THE MOST DIFFICULT  
3 SITUATION FOR THIS IS: DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS WORK TOGETHER.  
4 SOUNDS LIKE THOSE OLD SILOS. THAT'S YOU? THAT'S YOUR DOING.  
5 DON'T YOU HAVE OVERSIGHT OF D.C.F.S. FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS?  
6 YOU TOOK IT AWAY FROM THE C.E.O. HOW CAN THERE BE SILOS WHEN  
7 THE DISTINGUISHED, OH MY GOD, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS IN  
8 CHARGE OF APPOINTING THE CHAIR PEOPLE FOR THESE DEPARTMENTS?  
9 OH, AND WHILE D.C.F.S., WHILE THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION IS  
10 DOING THEIR CHILD PROTECTION PRESENTATION, THE D.C.F.S. HAS A  
11 STRATEGIC PLAN WITH ITS PRESENTATION FROM JUNE 4TH. AND ITS  
12 INITIATIVES. SO HOW DO THOSE INITIATIVES FILL IN WITH THE BLUE  
13 RIBBON COMMISSION'S PLAN FOR THE CHAIRPERSON? HOW DOES HE DEAL  
14 WITH THOSE? AND THEN WE HAD A PROBLEM WITH FUNDING. REMEMBER  
15 THE FUNDING. BUT YOU HAVE THE FUNDS FOR THE INITIATIVES. YOU  
16 JUST DON'T HAVE FUNDS FOR THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION  
17 RECOMMENDATIONS. AND WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE  
18 RECOMMENDATIONS AND THE INITIATIVES? WELL WE DON'T KNOW. IT'S  
19 BOARD GIBBERISH. THEY WANT A DIRECTOR TO BE EXTRAORDINARY. YOU  
20 HAVE TO BE EXTRAORDINARY TO WADE THROUGH ALL THE CRAP THAT'S  
21 COME FROM THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. YOU HAVE TO BE SUPER  
22 EXTRAORDINARY. YOU HAVE TO HAVE WADERS UP TO YOUR EARS. THEN  
23 THE PART WHERE SOMEBODY SAID THE OFFICE NEEDS TO BE FILLED  
24 BEFORE THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE ADDRESSED. THEN WE JUST HEARD  
25 THAT THE COMMISSION IS ADDRESSING RECOMMENDATIONS. SO WHICH IS

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1 IT? DOES THE COMMISSION ADDRESS RECOMMENDATIONS WHILE THEY'RE  
2 ALSO LOOKING FOR THE DIRECTOR? OR DO WE WAIT FOR THE DIRECTOR  
3 WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS WHILE THE INITIATIVES ARE BEING  
4 FILLED? WHICH IS IT? WHATEVER WE SAY IT IS. IT'S OUR CALENDAR.  
5 BY THE WAY, DOES AUGUST HAVE 46 DAYS OR 47 DAYS? BECAUSE BUS  
6 PASSES ARE GOING UP IN SEPTEMBER.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. IT'S A RECEIVE AND  
9 FILE ITEM. ALL RIGHT. 42-B. IT'S YOURS, MIKE. DID SOMEONE HOLD  
10 IT? JOSEPH ASAVI, ALBERT DABADU, FATHER GEORGE BATRASHILL.  
11 OKAY. IDENTIFY YOURSELF AND THEN YOU CAN BEGIN YOUR TESTIMONY.

12

13 **GEORGE BETRASHO:** HONORABLE AND ESTEEMED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD  
14 OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS. I AM CORE BISHOP GEORGE BETRASHO  
15 REPRESENTING THOUSANDS OF SYRIAN AMERICANS, RESIDENTS OF THE  
16 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M HERE TO THANK YOU, ALL OF YOU,  
17 HONORABLE MEN AND WOMEN ESPECIALLY THE HONORABLE SUPERVISOR  
18 ANTONOVICH. I THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF HIS HOLINESS (INAUDIBLE)  
19 THE FOURTH (INAUDIBLE) PATRIARCH, THE UNIVERSAL FATHER OF THE  
20 ASSYRIAN CHURCH OF THE EAST AND THOUSANDS OF ASSYRIAN AMERICAN  
21 RESIDENTS OF THIS COUNTY AND MOST OF ALL I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU  
22 ON BEHALF OF THEIR BROTHERS AND SISTERS. THE ASSYRIANS OF  
23 IRAQ, WHO HAVE BEEN THE SUBJECT OF PERSECUTION, ATROCITIES,  
24 RAPE, BEHEADINGS AND EXPULSIONS. TODAY WITH THIS MOTION, YOU  
25 HAVE TAKEN A STAND ON THE SIDE OF JUSTICE. YOU HAVE BECOME A

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1 VOICE FOR THE VOICELESS. YOU HAVE SHOWN KINDNESS AND  
2 COMPASSION FOR THOSE SUFFERING. WE MUST NEVER FORGET WHAT  
3 EDMOND BURKE ONCE SAID. "ALL IT TAKES FOR EVIL TO PREVAIL IS  
4 THAT GOOD MEN TO DO NOTHING."

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

7

8 **ALBERT DAVIDOO:** GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS ALBERT DAVIDOO, MR.  
9 CHAIRMAN, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, TODAY WE GATHER HERE  
10 IN DEMOCRATIC FASHION SPEAKING ABOUT THE NATION WHICH CREATED  
11 DEMOCRACY ITSELF. IT PAINS ME THAT SIT AND WATCH OUR  
12 GRANDFATHERS' CIVILIZATION, ALL OF OURS, NOT JUST SYRIANS,  
13 BEING SLAUGHTERED BY THE HANDS OF THE LOST. THAT THIS  
14 DISENFRANCHISED MEMBERS OF CIVILIZATION TO ALLOW ISIS OR ANY  
15 GROUP FOR THAT MATTER TO SYSTEMATICALLY SLAUGHTER A SECT OF  
16 PEOPLE DUE SIMPLY TO THEIR BELIEFS IS GENOCIDE. THE 1915  
17 ARMENIAN-ASSYRIAN-GREEK GENOCIDE ONCE AGAIN RIGHT BEFORE OUR  
18 VERY EYES. SINCE WORLD WAR II THE GREAT JEWISH BROTHERS AND  
19 SISTERS HAVE LOVED NO MORE. TODAY WE STAND UNITED. IN ALSO  
20 DECLARING NO MORE. WE CANNOT WAIT A MOMENT LONGER. WITH EACH  
21 MOMENT AN INNOCENT LIFE IS TAKEN. AND ANOTHER AND ANOTHER. I  
22 HEAR THE CRIES OF FRIGHTENED CHILDREN SLOWLY ACCEPT THEIR  
23 FATE. I WAKE UP FROM THIS NIGHTMARE NIGHT AFTER NIGHT AND EACH  
24 MORNING I REALIZE I LIVE IT. ONCE AGAIN WE HAVE AN INCUMBENT  
25 DUTY TO PRESERVE THE MOTHER OF CIVILIZATION AS IT WAS OUR

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1 CRADLED AND NURSED OUR GREATEST NATIONS ONE BY ONE TO POWER. I  
2 THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO. GOD BLESS YOU. GOD BLESS UNITED  
3 STATES OF AMERICA.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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7 **SPEAKER:** NONORABLE CHAIRMAN, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
8 ESPECIALLY THANKS TO SUPERVISOR MICHAEL ANTONOVICH FOR  
9 INTRODUCING THIS MOTION, THIS RESOLUTION. I WOULD JUST SAY I'D  
10 LIKE TO THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS  
11 THAT HAVE LEANT THEIR VOICE. THE SYRIAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION  
12 OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. ASSYRIAN CHURCH OF THE EAST. ASSYRIAN  
13 MEDICAL SOCIETY. ASSYRIAN DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT. ASSYRIAN  
14 ASSEMBLIES OF GOD. ASSYRIAN AID SOCIETY. ANCIENT CHURCH OF THE  
15 EAST. SAFE FOR CENTER U.S.A., CHURCH OF (INAUDIBLE) ST. PAUL  
16 (INAUDIBLE) ASSYRIAN AND ST. PAUL ASSYRIAN CHURCH OF THE EAST.  
17 ASSYRIAN CHURCH OF THE EAST RELIEF ORGANIZATION AND ASSYRIAN  
18 MESOPOTAMIAN ORGANIZATION. AGAIN WE THANK YOU FOR THIS  
19 RESOLUTION AND WE HAVE ASK YOU TO VOTE YES ON IT. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE  
22 CHAIR WILL SECOND WITH ONE ABSTENTION NOTED. SUPERVISOR  
23 RIDLEY-THOMAS, SO ORDERED. WE WILL DO ADJOURNMENTS. I BELIEVE  
24 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS IS UP FIRST. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,  
25 DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS?



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2   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN. I HAVE TWO. FIRST I  
3   ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JOHN BROOKS, A LONG TIME  
4   MEMBER OF THE COUNTRY FAMILY WHO WORKED FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS  
5   FOR THE PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY. HE  
6   FOUNDED THE SAN FERNANDO POLICE DEPARTMENT RESERVE UNIT WITH  
7   TWO OTHER OFFICERS AND HIS 50 YEARS OF SERVICE AS A RESERVE  
8   POLICE OFFICER WITH THE SAN FERNANDO POLICE. INCLUDED A RANGE  
9   MASTER AND WITH THE RANK OF SERGEANT. HE RETIRED IN 1992 WITH  
10   THE RANK OF LIETENANT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE ARLENE, TWO  
11   SONS, MICHAEL AND PATRICK, TWO DAUGHTERS, ANDREA RYNDERS AND  
12   MARETT JOHNSON, A SISTER MARY KENYON AND TWO GRAND DAUGHTERS  
13   AND ONE GREAT GRANDSON ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
14   LEONARD FEIN. A LONG TIME LEADER IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY  
15   NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY, AN ACTIVIST, A WRITER, A  
16   SCHOLAR WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. HE GREW UP  
17   IN THE LABOR ZIONIST YOUTH MOVEMENT WHICH HELPED INSPIRE HIS  
18   LIFELONG DEDICATION TO INTELLECTUAL ATTAINMENT, PROGRESSIVE  
19   RELIGIOUS AND POLITICAL ACTIVISM AND SOCIAL JUSTICE. HE WENT  
20   ON TO BECOME A PROFESSOR AND TEACHER AT BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY,  
21   HARVARD AND M.I.T. AND COFOUNDED "MOMENT" MAGAZINE WITH  
22   HOLOCAUST AUTHOR AND SURVIVOR ELIE WIESEL. HE ALSO FOUNDED  
23   MAZONE, A JEWISH RESPONSE TO HUGER, A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL FOOD  
24   DRIVE FOR THOSE IN NEED INVOLVING JEWISH COMMUNITIES AROUND  
25   THE WORLD. THE NATIONAL JEWISH COALITION FOR LITERACY. AND

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1 HELPED FOUND AND SERVED ON THE BOARD OF AMERICANS FOR PEACE  
2 NOW, SUPPORTING THE ISRAELI PEACE MOVEMENT. AMONG HIS MANY  
3 BOOKS ARE: "WHERE ARE WE? THE INTER LIFE OF THE AMERICAN  
4 JEWS", AND "AGAINST THE DYING OF THE LIGHT." A MEMOIR OF THE  
5 DAUGHTER HE LOST TO AN UNEXPECTED HEART ATTACK WHEN SHE WAS  
6 ONLY 30 YEARS OLD. ALSO WROTE HUNDREDS OF ARTICLES ESSAYS AND  
7 OP-ED PIECES OVER THE YEARS AND CONTINUED WRITING A REGULAR  
8 COLUMN FOR THE FORWARD NEWSPAPER UNTIL HE PASSED AWAY. HE LEFT  
9 A RICH LEGACY AS AN INSPIRATION AND ROLE MODEL FOR GENERATIONS  
10 OF PROGRESSIVE JEWISH ACTIVISTS, MYSELF INCLUDED. HE WAS A  
11 MENTOR TO ME WHEN I WAS A COLLEGE STUDENT. HE TRAVELED OUT  
12 HERE ALL THE TIME. AND HE WAS A PERSON WHO WAS A MAGNET FOR  
13 PEOPLE WHO WERE LOOKING FOR EXAMPLES TO FOLLOW. HE WILL TRULY  
14 BE MISSED. HE'S SURVIVED BY FAMILY MEMBERS, COLLEAGUES AND A  
15 WHOLE LOT OF FRIENDS. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

16  
17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. I HAVE A COUPLE  
18 ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
19 LIEUTENANT PATRICK LIBERTONE FROM THE FRAUD AND CYBERCRIMES  
20 BUREAU OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFFS. HE PASSED AWAY  
21 SUDDENLY ON AUGUST 12TH WHILE ON DUTY. PATRICK BEGAN HIS  
22 CAREER AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN 1983 ASSIGNED AT MEN'S  
23 CENTRAL JAIL. HE ROSE UP THE RANKS FROM PATROL DEPUTY AT  
24 TEMPLE STATION TO SERGEANT NORWALK AND LIEUTENANT AT FRAUD AND  
25 CYBERCRIMES. AMONG OTHER VARIOUS PROMOTIONS HE RECEIVED. HE

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1 RECEIVED OVER 75 COMMENDATIONS AND AWARDS FOR HIS EXEMPLARY  
2 SERVICE. HE WAS KNOWN AS A HUMBLE AND HAPPY MAN WHO ALWAYS  
3 WORE A SMILE AND GO ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY FOR HIS  
4 COWORKERS AND FRIENDS. HE LOVED SCUBA DIVING AND TRAVEL. HE IS  
5 SURVIVED BY WIFE SHERISE, HIS FOUR CHILDREN, BRIAN, JANELLE,  
6 HAILEY AND RACHEL AS WELL AS VARIOUS FAMILY FRIENDS AND  
7 COLLEAGUES. HE WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY ALL THOSE LIVES HE  
8 TOUCHED AND HIS SERVICE WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN. AND THEN WE  
9 JOIN IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL SIMMONS WHO PASSED AWAY AFTER A LONG  
10 STRUGGLE WITH LUNG CANCER AT THE AGE OF 63. LIFELONG RESIDENT  
11 OF LONG BEACH. A RECENT RETIREE OF THE OPERATING ENGINEERS  
12 UNION. SURVIVED BY HIS BROTHERS. DICKIE WHO WORKS FOR ME AND  
13 BRADLEY AND NUMEROUS NIECES AND NEPHEWS. THOSE ARE MY  
14 ADJOURNMENTS. MICHAEL?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE I'D LIKE TO MOVE IN THE MEMORY OF  
17 SUZANNE FETTERS A FORMER COMMISSIONER OF MINE WHO PASSED AWAY  
18 ON AUGUST 16TH, A GRADUATE OF CAL STATE UNIVERSITY LOS  
19 ANGELES. HER HUSBAND LARRY FETTERS WAS A LOS ANGELES POLICE  
20 DEPARTMENT FOR 31 YEARS RETIRING AS DEPUTY CHIEF AND WENT ON  
21 TO BECOME SECURITY DIRECTOR OF THE HOMELAND SECURITY AT L.A.X.  
22 FOR EIGHT YEARS. AND SHE ALSO SERVED ON THE MEESE COMMISSION,  
23 THE FEDERAL COMMISSION ON PORNOGRAPHY WHEN ATTORNEY GENERAL  
24 MEESE ORDERED IT. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND LARRY, THEIR  
25 TWO CHILDREN, PATTY AND JOHN AND THEIR FOUR SIBLINGS AND SHE

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1 WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND PUNTINGTON  
2 SQUARE ISSUES AND A REAL GOOD FRIEND. CONNIE WORDEN-ROBERTS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS.

5

6 **SUP. ANONOVICH:** CONNIE WORDEN-ROBERTS LONG TIME RESIDENT OF  
7 SANTA CLARITA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83. SHE WAS A SPECIAL  
8 ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT OF H.R. TECHSTRON AND ASSEMBLYWOMAN  
9 MARIAN LA FOLETTE. SHE WAS A DEDICATED ENTHUSIASTIC MEMBER OF  
10 THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY COMMUNITY. AS MY APPOINTEE TO THE  
11 NORTH COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COALITION, SHE PROVIDED A  
12 PASSIONATE VISION FOR IMPROVED TRANSIT SERVICE. HER LEADERSHIP  
13 CONTRIBUTED TO A TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND NEW ROADS THAT BECAME  
14 THE BACKBONE OF OUR VALLEY. SHE CHAIRED THE SANTA CLARITA  
15 VALLEY TRANSPORTATION ALLIANCE CONTRIBUTED TO THE CONSTRUCTION  
16 OF THE CROSS VALLEY CONNECTOR, SERVED ON SEVERAL BOARDS AND  
17 COMMITTEES INCLUDING THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY'S CITY'S  
18 PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE FRIENDS OF HART PARK, WHITTAKER  
19 VERMIGHT CITIZENS ADVISORY GROUP AND THE SANTA CLARITA PARADE  
20 COMMITTEE. SHE HAD A COMMITMENT TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE VALLEY  
21 IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SON LEON.  
22 RALPH WALROTH PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 98. HE WAS AN ACTIVE  
23 MEMBER WITH THE Y.M.C.A., JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE  
24 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BURBANK. HE PASSED AWAY, AS I  
25 SAID, AT THE AGE OF 98. WHAT'S INTERESTING ABOUT RALPH, HE

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1 WORKED WITH LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT FOR 41 YEARS AND THEN WENT TO  
2 WORK PART-TIME FOR THE GLENDALE LIBRARY. AND HE WAS THE OLDEST  
3 EMPLOYEE AT THE CITY OF GLENDALE WORKING IN THE LIBRARY FOR 31  
4 YEARS UNTIL HE PASSED ON. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS FOUR  
5 CHILDREN. LUCILLE LOU SMITH LONG TIME RESIDENT SANTA CLARITA.  
6 NUTRITIONIST AT PINE CREST ELEMENTARY FOR 25 YEARS AND A  
7 MEMBER OF THE GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH FOR MANY YEARS. SURVIVED  
8 BY HER TWO SONS. THEODULE DELANO MARTIN, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF  
9 ANTELOPE VALLEY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 96. HE WAS A WORLD  
10 WAR II VETERAN AND HIGH SCHOOL AND VICE PRINCIPAL FOR 35 YEARS  
11 AND ACTIVE IN THE GAY COMMUNITY CHURCH. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS  
12 WIFE OF 68 YEARS, ESSIE. KEITH DWANE MCPEEK, LONG TIME  
13 RESIDENT OF LANCASTER PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78, SERVED IN  
14 THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS DURING THE KOREAN WAR, HAD A  
15 50-YEAR CAREER AS A MORTUARY PROFESSIONAL AND 40-YEAR MEMBER  
16 OF SACRED HEART CHURCH AND SERVED THE COMMUNITY WITH THE  
17 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. CHESTER POLEK, RETIRED DEPUTY MARSHAL  
18 WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS EL MONTE  
19 COURT. JEFFREY SHROUT, RETIRED DEPUTY WITH THE LOS ANGELES  
20 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS WITH THE  
21 WEST HOLLYWOOD STATION. MARCUS BENEVIDEZ. LONG TIME RESIDENT  
22 OF SANTA CLARITA. TRAGICALLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 29. HE  
23 ATTENDED SAUGUS HIGH SCHOOL AND WAS A GRAPHIC ARTIST ASSISTANT  
24 FOR IMPORT COLLECTION FOR THE PAST EIGHT YEARS. BRAD ANTHONY  
25 COSGROVE. LONG TIME RESIDENT OF LANCASTER. PASSED AWAY AT THE

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1 AGE OF 60. HE WAS A GRADUATE OF C.S.U.N. AND HAD A 35-YEAR  
2 CAREER AS AN ACCOUNTANT. SERVED FOR OVER 30 YEARS AS A MEMBER  
3 OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY KIWANIS. SERGEANT KENT NEBERGALL PASSED  
4 AWAY ON AUGUST 12TH AT THE AGE OF 67. HAD SERVED IN THE  
5 VIETNAM WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY. HE WAS A CREW CHIEF ON  
6 THE 189TH U.S. ARMY ASSAULT HELICOPTERS. HE WAS A SUCCESSFUL  
7 RECORDING ENGINEER AFTER THE WAR FOR SUNSET SOUND RECORDING  
8 STUDIO. TRAGICALLY, POPE FRANCIS'S GREAT NEPHEWS AND HIS  
9 NEPHEW'S MOTHER WERE TRAGICALLY KILLED TODAY EARLY THIS  
10 MORNING AND A FOURTH IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION AFTER AN  
11 AUTOMOBILE CRASH IN ARGENTINA. SO WE ADJOURN IN THEIR MEMORY.  
12 VALERIA CARMONA, JOSE CARMONA AND ANTONIO CARMONA. THOSE ARE  
13 MY ADJOURNMENTS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. PUBLIC COMMENTS? ROBERT LUCAS,  
16 IRENE PANG. ARNOLD SACHS, ERIC PREVEN. ALL RIGHT. BEFORE YOU  
17 GUYS START, EXCUSE ME. WE DO HAVE ONE -- TWO IN LANCASTER.  
18 SYLVIA BROWN AND CYNTHIA BEVERLY. LET'S GO TO LANCASTER FIRST.  
19 DON'T START. GO AHEAD AND START UP THERE, PLEASE.

20

21 **ROBERT LUCAS:** HI, MY NAME --

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXCUSE ME.

24

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1   **SYLVIA BROWN:** HI, I'M SYLVIA BROWN. ACCORDING TO THE  
2   CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE 22 SOCIAL SECURITY  
3   DIVISION 3 HEALTHCARE SERVICES SUBDIVISION 1 CALIFORNIA  
4   MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SECTION DEDUCTIONS FROM ANY INCOME OF ALL  
5   MEDICALLY NEEDY OR MEDICALLY INDIGENT PROGRAM. THE DEDUCTION  
6   IN SECTION 50551 THROUGH 50552 SHALL BE SUBTRACTED FROM ANY  
7   NONEXEMPT INCOME THAT REMAINS AFTER APPLICATION OF A LAW  
8   PROCEEDING EXEMPTIONS AND DEDUCTIONS. SECTION 50551 STATES  
9   INCOME OF A MEDICALLY NEEDED PERSON USED TO DETERMINE THE  
10   PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY OF ANOTHER FAMILY MEMBER, THAT  
11   PORTION OF THE INCOME OF THE MEDICALLY NEEDED PERSON OR  
12   MEDICALLY INDIGENT PERSON OR PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FAMILY  
13   MEDICAL BUDGET UNIT WHICH IS COUNTED AND DETERMINED THE  
14   ELIGIBILITY OF A SPOUSE, PARENT OR CHILD OF A PUBLIC  
15   ASSISTANCE OR RECIPIENT SHALL BE DEDUCTED. MY MOTHER APPLIED  
16   FOR MEDI-CAL IN APRIL OF 2013. I HAVE BEEN GIVING ALL YOUR  
17   REPRESENTATIVES THIS CODE. AND THEY REFUSE TO DEDUCT MY  
18   FATHER'S INCOME. THEY HAVE A HIGH SHARE OF COST OF \$3,800 A  
19   MONTH AND WE APPLIED FOR IN-HOME HEALTH SERVICES. I AM THEIR  
20   PROVIDER. AND I AM NOT RECEIVING AN INCOME BECAUSE THEY'RE  
21   TELLING THEM THAT THEY HAVE TO PAY \$3,800 IN SHERIFF'S COSTS.  
22   IF THAT INCOME IS DEDUCTED ACCORDING, IF MY FATHER'S INCOME IS  
23   DEDUCTED BECAUSE HE WAS ON THE APPLICATION AND WAS USED FOR  
24   THE MEDICAL FAMILY BUDGET UNIT, IF THEY GO AHEAD AND APPLY  
25   THIS CODE, THAT SHARE OF COSTS WILL BE DEDUCTED. AND I WILL BE



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1 ABLE TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES. I'M ALREADY BEEN PROVIDING  
2 SERVICES FOR OVER A YEAR NOW. BUT I WILL BE PAID WITH THE IN-  
3 HOME HEALTH SERVICES INSTEAD OF HAVING MY MOTHER, ALL THE  
4 MONEY, GETTING A NONNEGOTIABLE CHECK SAYING THAT THE  
5 RESPONSIBILITY IS ON MY PARENTS FOR THE SHARE OF COSTS. I'VE  
6 BEEN TALKING TO THE REPRESENTATIVES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I  
7 HAVE SEVERAL HEARINGS. THEY KEEP TELLING ME TO GO TO THE  
8 HEARING. NOW THEY TRYING TO FORCE ME TO GO TO THE SUPERIOR  
9 COURT AND FILE A COURT. HOW CAN YOU SEND TWO PEOPLE AT THE AGE  
10 OF 88 IF YOU CAN'T FIND AN ATTORNEY TO FILE FOR THEIR RIGHTS  
11 AND THEIR BENEFITS UNDER THIS? THAT IS REALLY -- AND THEY ARE  
12 BOTH MEDICALLY NEEDY. THAT IS REALLY HARD AND PUTTING A LOT OF  
13 STRESS ON MY PARENTS AND ME, AS WELL, BECAUSE I'M GIVING THEM  
14 ALL THE SERVICES AND I'M NOT BEING PAID, WHICH THE INCOME  
15 SHOULD BE DEDUCTED IN THEIR SHERIFF'S COSTS. I'M ASKING YOU  
16 FOR YOU TO HAVE YOUR REPRESENTATIVES CALL ME BECAUSE THIS IS  
17 GOING COUNTYWIDE.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SOMEBODY FROM SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S  
20 OFFICE WILL BE IN CONTACT. NEXT?

21

22 **SYLVIA BROWN:** I DIDN'T HEAR.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I SAID THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
25 SOMEONE FROM SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S OFFICE WILL BE IN

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1 CONTACT. THANK YOU. NEXT? FROM LANCASTER WE HAVE CYNTHIA  
2 BEVERLY?

3

4 **CYNTHIA BEVERLY:** YES. MY NAME IS CYNTHIA BEVERLY. ACTUALLY I  
5 AM A CHILDREN'S RIGHTS ADVOCATE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AWARE  
6 AS AN ACTIVIST. I COME HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT THE INJUSTICE OF  
7 THE COURT SYSTEM, THE JUSTICE SYSTEM. MY SON WAS ARRESTED,  
8 BOTH OF MY SONS WAS ARRESTED ON SEPTEMBER THE 12TH OF 2013. I  
9 HAVE FILED A COMPLAINT AGAINST THE DETECTIVE BY THE NAME OF  
10 KING. HE STATED TO ME, I ASKED HIM HIS NAME, HE STATED TO ME  
11 "HE'S DONE, HE'S DONE, I'M GOING TO STICK A FORK IN HIM, HE'S  
12 DONE." ON THIS CASE ON A BURGLARY CASE INSIDE A TORRANCE  
13 COURTHOUSE, MY YOUNGER SON HAD GOT A DEAL FOR TWO YEARS. MY  
14 OLDER SON THEY WANT HIM TO TAKE A DEAL FOR 20 YEARS. THEY SAID  
15 IF HE TAKE IT TO JURY TRIAL, THAT HE CAN GET 106 YEARS TO  
16 LIFE. NOW, HOW WHAT ABOUT THIS IS VERY CRUEL AND UNUSUAL  
17 PUNISHMENT THROUGH THE EIGHTH AMENDMENT. I, TOO, WAS ARRESTED  
18 BECAUSE I WAS A PART OF THE SECTION 8 LAWSUIT. I WAS A PART OF  
19 THE D.O.J. FINDINGS WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN THE  
20 ANTELOPE VALLEY. SO I WAS ARRESTED. AND THEY HAD SENT MY CASE  
21 DOWN TO NORWALK COURT. AND THE JUDGE STATED HE SAID, HE  
22 STATED, I CANNOT BELIEVE THE WAY THE PUBLIC FUNDS ABLE TO  
23 SPEND ON THIS CASE STARTING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT GOING  
24 DOWN TO THE DISTRICT'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND COMING DOWN HERE  
25 TO THE JUSTICE SYSTEM, THE FACT THAT THIS CASE IS EVEN FILED

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1 BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IS AN EMBARRASSMENT, IT  
2 DOESN'T RISE TO THE LEVEL OF A CIVIL RESTRAINING ORDER, SO WE  
3 DO KNOW ABOUT THE INJUSTICE WITHIN THE COURT SYSTEM. IN  
4 TORRANCE COURTHOUSE IS ACTUALLY ANOTHER YOUNG MAN DURING  
5 ELECTION YEAR OF 2005, THIS YOUNG MAN GOT 205 YEARS TO LIFE  
6 FOR A BURGLARY CHARGE. MY SON IS LOOKING AT LIFE. 106 YEARS TO  
7 LIFE FOR A BURGLARY CHARGE, FOR NO WEAPONS INVOLVED AND NO  
8 ONE; AND NO PHYSICAL CONTACT WITH A PERSON. NOW, WE KNOW ABOUT  
9 THE JURY CAN HEAR ABOUT THE PRIORS BUT THEY DO NOT HEAR ABOUT  
10 HOW MUCH TIME THE PEOPLE IS GETTING WHEN THEY GET SENTENCED  
11 INSIDE THIS ROOM, INSIDE THE COURTROOM. I REACHED OUT TO THE  
12 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. I REACHED OUT TO THE OMBUDSMAN'S  
13 OFFICE. I REACHED OUT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I SENT ALL  
14 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS EMAILS. I GOT HAILED TO TOWN HALL  
15 MEETINGS HERE IN ANTELOPE JUSTICE FOR ALL FOR ALL, DO THE  
16 CRIMES FOR THE TIME. RIGHT NOW I AM REACHING OUT TO THE  
17 PASTORS, TO THE CHURCHES, TO THE PEOPLE OF THE ANTELOPE  
18 VALLEY, COMPTON, LONG BEACH, WATTS, TORRANCE, WHEREVER I HAVE  
19 TO GO. I WILL FIGHT FOR MY SON AND MANY OTHER PEOPLE THAT'S  
20 COMING TO ME WITH THE SAME PROBLEM AND THE SAME ISSUES. IF I  
21 GOT TO WALK THE STREETS UNTIL I GET BLISTERS ON MY FEET TO  
22 FIGHT FOR THE JUSTICE OF MY SON FOR HIS LIFE, I WILL DO SO.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

25

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1    **CYNTHIA BEVERLY:** THANK YOU.

2

3    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. GO AHEAD. MR. LUCAS AND MISS PANG.

4

5    **ROBERT LUCAS:** MY NAME IS ROBERT LUCAS, YOU KNOW A LOT OF THE  
6    ISSUES I HEARD ARE VERY EMOTIONAL AND IMPORTANT. AND WHEN I  
7    HEARD THE CHILD ISSUE EARLIER, AND I REALLY TUNED IN AND  
8    LISTENED BECAUSE THIS IS A SUBJECT THAT'S REALLY CLOSE TO ME,  
9    IT SOUNDED LIKE A BUNCH OF INTELLIGENT PEOPLE IN RESPONSIBLE  
10   POSITIONS WERE ASKING FOR A REFEREE. THAT TELLS ME THAT  
11   THERE'S A LOT OF DRAMA GOING ON, EGOS, PRIDE, TITLES. SOMEBODY  
12   LOST SIGHT OF THE FACT THAT THE KIDS ARE THERE. BUT ALL THOSE  
13   DIFFERENCES ASIDE, YOU'RE WORKING IN THAT FIELD. IT'S A VERY  
14   IMPORTANT SUBJECT. LEAVE ALL THE DRAMA OUT. AND HANDLE AND GET  
15   THE ANSWERS THAT YOU NEED. IT SOUNDS LIKE THE CHILDREN THEY'RE  
16   PROTECTING, THEY'RE CRYING OUT. I NEED SOME HELP. THEY'RE  
17   ADULTS. THEY'RE EDUCATED. THEY'RE RESPONSIBLE. FIND THE  
18   ANSWERS FROM WITHIN YOURSELF AND STOP CREATING MORE OF A  
19   PROBLEM. I MEAN, I FELT SO COMPELLED TO DO THAT RIGHT NOW TO  
20   THE GOOD STUFF. I'M DOWN AT 6TH AND SAN PEDRO. I'VE BEEN GOING  
21   TO CITY COUNCIL. COUNTY SUPERVISORS FOR THE LAST MONTH. I'VE  
22   BEEN SO MOVED BY THE RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES. I  
23   NEVER ANTICIPATED ANYTHING LIKE THIS HAPPENING. WITHIN TWO  
24   WEEKS OF THE CITY COUNCILMAN AND THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS, THE  
25   AREA OF 6TH AND SAN PEDRO, ST. JULIAN, CENTRAL L.A.P.D. HAS

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1 BEEN FLOODED WITH THE PUBLIC. I TRULY UNDERSTAND THE MEANING  
2 OF CITY OF ANGELS. THE FACT IS: SOME OF THE OVERWHELMING  
3 RESPONSE BY THE PEOPLE THAT WATCH WHAT GOES ON IN THIS  
4 BUILDING AND CITY HALL HAS JUST OVERWHELMED ME TO THE POINT  
5 THAT IT SHAKES ME WHEN I WALK THE STREETS. IT WARMS ME TO THE  
6 POINT THAT I KNOW THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE OUT THERE WHO CARE.  
7 THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS: A LOT OF THE PEOPLE DOWN THERE  
8 DON'T QUITE SEE IT. I PUT THE WORK IN EVERY DAY TO HELP THEM  
9 REALIZE IT. AND LET THE PEOPLE KNOW THAT COME DOWN THERE THAT  
10 I APPRECIATE THEM WITH THE EFFORTS. IT'S BEEN FROM EVERY  
11 DISTRICT, EVERY WALK OF LIFE. THE LOVE THAT IS GIVEN TO THE  
12 PEOPLE DOWN THERE THAT REALLY DON'T EVEN UNDERSTAND AND  
13 RECOGNIZE THAT THAT'S WHAT IT IS IS BESIDE THE POINT. I'M DOWN  
14 THERE WITH BOOTS ON THE GROUND TRYING TO HELP THESE PEOPLE  
15 REALIZE THE EMPATHY THAT PEOPLE FEEL FOR THEM. STOP TAKING  
16 ADVANTAGE OF THE RESOURCES THAT CAN VERY WELL HELP YOU BUILD  
17 THE REST OF YOUR LIFE. NEXT WEEK WHEN I COME IN, I HAVE A  
18 MISSION STATEMENT FOR YOU AND FOR ALL OF THE PEOPLE WHO WATCH  
19 THESE PROCEEDINGS AND ACTUALLY MOVED ON THIS, I NEVER  
20 ANTICIPATED. I GOT SOME STUFF I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH SO  
21 I'M GOING TO SPEND THE REST OF THE AFTERNOON GIVING IT AWAY.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? MISS PANG?

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1   **IRENE PANG:** I'M IRENE. FROM THE I CONCERNED ABOUT FROM THE  
2   AUGUST 12 TO THE AUGUST 15TH 2014, BELOW THE FIELD CLASS THE  
3   CONSTRUCTION ON THE BUILDING LOCATED ON THE 11635 ON THE RED  
4   BLUE LINE EL MONTE, CALIFORNIA. THE 11635 -- ON THE AUGUST 12,  
5   AUGUST THE 13 OR AUGUST 18, 2014 AND CATCH THOSE PAGE NUMBER  
6   OF IN THE 12TH, AUGUST THE 12TH THE PAGE NUMBER IS THE ONE IS  
7   THE 353151 F1 TRUCK. AND SECOND ONE IS THE 74833 AND GMC VIN.  
8   AND THEN AUGUST 13 IS THE FIRST CAR IS THE 5 A45761 VIN AND  
9   THE SECOND CAR IS THE 8F1854. AND THE THIRD AND THE 18 THE  
10   CARS AGAIN THE 754-8344 GMC. AND THE OLD AGE CARS THEY HAD  
11   WRESTLING. AND THE PERSONS IDENTIFIED BY THE CAR LEAVE THE  
12   RESPONSE TO ALL THE DAMAGE OF THE BUILDING AND THE PARKING  
13   LOT. TO CLARIFY AND CONCERNED POSITION OF THE ECONOMY AND THE  
14   CITIZEN THE PATIENT MY FAMILY MEMBERS THE -- BY SAID NAME TO  
15   CLARIFY AND CONFIRM THE POSITION OF THE ECONOMY AND  
16   INFORMATION SYSTEM. THE PRESENT POSITION TO MY FAMILY MEMBER  
17   WHO HAD BEEN DONE THE PROGRESSING EQUIPMENT AND PROGRESS TO  
18   STAFF THE -- OF THE ECONOMY AND OF THE GOVERNMENT AND  
19   PROPERTY. NUMBER 5, SAFETY IS IMPORTANT TO MY FAMILY MEMBERS  
20   AND THE VICTIMS ARE NECESSARY. NUMBER 6, I DISAGREE THAT MAYBE  
21   SAYING THE PAY FOR THE REVELATION, THE INVESTIGATION BECAUSE  
22   THE REVELATION IS THE RACE UP BY THE REVELATION PERSON IS ALSO  
23   SOME IS THE GOVERNMENT BE NOT CATCH THEM. ALL THE JOB IS SOME  
24   KIND FELL ON DUTY. BECAUSE THE KIND OF REVELATION. AND

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1 INVESTIGATION ARE NECESSARY ALSO THE GOVERNMENT TO STOP IN THE  
2 FUTURE ON PRESENT TIME. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

5

6 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT IS ERIC PREVEN. ONE ADDITIONAL NAME FOR  
7 THE LIST OF POTENTIAL BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION DIRECTORS OR I  
8 GUESS, YEAH, THAT'S IT. HOW ABOUT JONATHAN FREEDMAN, F-R-E-E-  
9 D, THERE WAS A BROMANCE GOING ON THERE WITH SUPERVISOR  
10 YAROSLAVSKY AND THOSE GUYS. HE'S A VERY COMPETENT MAN. HOW  
11 ABOUT SOMEONE LIKE THAT WOULD BE ONE PITCH. I'M THROWING THEM  
12 OUT THERE BECAUSE I THINK WE NEED SOMEBODY AND URGENTLY. I'D  
13 ALSO LIKE TO ASK C.E.O. FUJIOKA WHO'S ENSCONCED IN A  
14 CONVERSATION NOW WITH SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY ON ITEM 24 LAST,  
15 NOT LAST BUT THE PREVIOUS WEEK THERE WAS ACTUALLY AN ITEM THAT  
16 LOOKED AT THE A.E.C.O.M. PROVISION, WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE  
17 DOING IN PHASE 1 ON THIS BIG JAIL ROLLOUT. AND IN THAT  
18 DOCUMENT, THEY LISTED THE PEOPLE ON THEIR STAFF. IT WAS SORT  
19 OF A MEMO, SO YOU COULDN'T REALLY SEE IT UNLESS YOU WERE  
20 SNOOPING AROUND. BUT WHAT THEY OUTLINED WAS IF I UNDERSTOOD IT  
21 CORRECTLY, A COUPLE CHARACTERS WOULD BE HELPING OUT ON THE  
22 MENTAL HEALTH SIDE, THE JACKIE LACEY'S BEEN WORKING ON, THE  
23 DIVERSION PIECE, I GOT THE FEELING. AND IT WAS IDENTIFIED AS  
24 THE J.F.A. INC. WHICH I ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD TO BE THE JAMES  
25 AUSTIN GROUP. JAMES AUSTIN WAS THE GUY FOR THE REFERENCE WHO



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1 WROTE THE ROAD MAP AWAY FROM BUILDING A GIANT NEW JAIL. HAS  
2 ENGAGED TWO PEOPLE A GUY NAMED J. FARBSTEN WHO I MENTIONED  
3 WROTE A BOOK IN 1986 ON JAILS. AND THEN ANOTHER WOMAN NAMED  
4 BRENDA EPPERLY WHO SURPRISINGLY WORKED IN MENTAL HEALTH AT  
5 C.D.C.R. WHO ARE FACING THEIR OWN MAJOR CRISES WITH THE  
6 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ON THESE ISSUES. SO, MY QUESTION IS: IS IT  
7 THE SAME J.F.A., MR. FUJIOKA? IS IT JAMES AUSTIN BEING  
8 INVOLVED IN THAT A.E.C.O.M. JAIL? BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S A  
9 REASONABLE QUESTION AND I THINK THE PUBLIC WOULD BE INTERESTED  
10 IN KNOWING. I KNOW MAYOR ANTONOVICH TODAY, IT WAS A VERY  
11 IMPORTANT DAY FOR THOSE VETERANS AND I SUPPORT EVERYTHING THEY  
12 DID THERE, I WANT TO POINT OUT MY APPRECIATION AND ALSO MY  
13 APPRECIATION FOR THE A.C.L.U. FOUNDATION WHO I KNOW HE IS  
14 STANDING TALL NEXT TO NOW ON THIS ISSUE. AND I JUST WANT TO  
15 MAKE ONE SMALL LITTLE REFERENCE. IT'S THE A.C.L.U. FOUNDATION  
16 WHO ARE ALSO UNFORTUNATELY, COMING AFTER THE BOARD OF  
17 SUPERVISORS TO PUT SOME OF THESE LEGAL BILLS ON THE TABLE SO  
18 THAT WE CAN GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THOSE ISSUES THAT DROOYAN HAS  
19 BEEN PROMINENTLY SITTING ON TOP OF FOR A LITTLE WHILE. I WOULD  
20 URGE THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO THINK ABOUT THAT AND THINK  
21 ABOUT HOW LONG, HOW MUCH MORE MONEY THEY WANT TO SPEND  
22 FIGHTING ON THESE ISSUES, FIGHTING ABOUT WHAT IS, AS ONE OF  
23 THOSE GENTLEMEN MENTIONED, "THE RULE OF THE LAW" AND HOW  
24 IMPORTANT THAT IS. SO HOPEFULLY TODAY IS THE DAY WHEN THE  
25 BITTERNESS THAT WE'VE EXPERIENCED CAN BE PUT ASIDE. AND THIS

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1 BOARD CAN GO OFF AND THINK IN THEIR INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT  
2 OFFICES ABOUT WHO THEY MIGHT PROPOSE TO BE BLUE RIBBON  
3 COMMISSIONERS WHO COULD DO THE JOB THAT'S NECESSARY. AND  
4 HERE'S A HINT. FREEDMAN WAS A GOOD IDEA, BUT TO BE HONEST,  
5 HE'S A PUBLIC HEALTH MAN FOR A LONG TIME. MAYBE HE COULD COME  
6 BACK AND RUN PUBLIC HEALTH, ACTUALLY, COMES TO MIND. BUT THE  
7 POINT IS: NOW'S THE TIME TO MAKE THE SHORT LIST. AND THEN WE  
8 CAN MOVE FORWARD IMMEDIATELY. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BEFORE I CALL UP THE NEXT SPEAKERS. I  
11 WILL ADD AN ADJOURNMENT ALL MEMBERS AND WE'LL GET TO THE INFO  
12 BUT I JUST SAW THAT GRANT LYNN JOHNSON PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE  
13 OF 65. GRANT WAS A FORMER CITY -- WE'LL DO ALL MEMBERS ON  
14 THIS. HE WAS A CITY COUNCILMEMBER SACRAMENTO, COUNTY  
15 SUPERVISOR AND AT ONE TIME HEADED UP THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
16 SERVICES FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND WAS VERY HELPFUL TO  
17 US ON MANY OF OUR ISSUES THAT CONFRONTED US. I'M NOT SURE THE  
18 TERMS AND CONDITIONS BUT HE HAS PASSED AWAY SO I WOULD ASK  
19 THAT ALL MEMBERS, THAT WE ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, HE WAS NOT ONLY ALL THOSE  
22 THINGS, HE WAS ALSO THE REGION 9 ADMINISTRATOR DURING OUR  
23 WAIVER DISCUSSIONS DURING THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION AND HE  
24 WAS PIVOTAL IN HELPING US.

25

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT HELPED HIM BECOME DIRECTOR OF  
2    HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE STATE. HE WAS AWARE OF OUR ISSUES.  
3    GOOD GUY.

4

5    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** VERY GOOD GUY.

6

7    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARNOLD SACHS AND THEN OUR BENEDICTION  
8    FROM MR. SERRANO.

9

10   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU.

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12   **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. PUBLIC COMMENT:  
13   AND IT'S UNFORTUNATE THAT YOU DID TAKE ITEM 6 OFF THE AGENDA.  
14   FASCINATING MORE RULES THAT THE BOARD WANTS TO CHANGE, THIS IS  
15   AN ITEM AND YOU WONDER WHY ABOUT BEING POLITE. YOU'RE ELECTED  
16   OFFICIALS, YOU KNOW THE POLITENESS GETS TO YOU, YOU CAN ALWAYS  
17   LEAVE OFFICE. TAKE A HIKE. THIS IS FROM AN ARTICLE FROM  
18   2/12/12 NO THREAT TO FREE SPEECH BY MY GUY JIM NEWTON. UNDER  
19   THE COUNTY COUNSEL PROPOSAL THAT YAROSLAVSKY HAS INTRODUCED  
20   AND INSTEAD OF HAVING 2 MINUTES TO COMMENT PER AGENDA ITEM.  
21   THE SPEAKERS WOULD GET A TERM OF 3 MINUTES FOR ALL AGENDA  
22   ITEMS ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SO WHEN DID IT CHANGE TO 3  
23   MINUTES? WELL THAT ITEM WAS NEVER CONSIDERED BY SUPERVISOR  
24   YAROSLAVSKY. SO THE CRIMINALS WHO ARE ELECTED TO RUN THE  
25   OFFICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS JUST CHANGED THE ITEM. BECAUSE

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1 IT SAYS RIGHT HERE NOVEMBER 26, 2013 THAT THE PUBLIC WILL HAVE  
2 A TOTAL OF THREE MINUTES PER MEETING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON  
3 ITEMS IN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE. SO WHEN DID IT GET VOTED ON?  
4 WHEN WAS THE LEGISLATIVE ACTION TAKEN? WHEN WAS THE BOARD  
5 UPHOLDING THE LAW? OH, YOU KNOW THE LAWS, THOSE FOOLISH  
6 THINGS, YOU KNOW LIKE, AND I KNOW, IT'S BEATING A DEAD HORSE,  
7 LIKE WHEN YOU WEAR YOUR OTHER HAT AT METRO, FOR THE BLUE LINE  
8 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY, HOW DID THAT CHANGE? OR WE COULD TALK  
9 A FEW THINGS HERE. IF WE NEEDED A CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY FOR  
10 THE GREEN LINE TO GO NORTH FROM THE AVIATION STATION TO  
11 CENTURY BOULEVARD. BUT VOILA, THE CRENSHAW LINE THAT GOES  
12 SOUTH FROM CENTURY STATION TO AVIATION, NO CONSTRUCTION  
13 AUTHORITY. THE DOWNTOWN CONNECTOR THAT METRO IS TRUMPETING  
14 WOULD HAVE BEEN THE BLUE LINE 20 YEARS AGO. MEASURE R, THAT  
15 SALES TAX, \$1.3 BILLION. AND YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT ANOTHER  
16 SALES TAX. SO AGAIN DO WE HEAR IT WILL BE ANOTHER BILLION  
17 DOLLARS, BILLION PLUS? THAT WILL BE \$5 BILLION IN TRANSIT  
18 TAXES FOR THE METRO. AND WHAT HAVE YOU DONE? ZERO. YOU KNOW,  
19 MY FARE'S GOING UP \$40 NEXT MONTH AND THAT'S THE KIND OF  
20 LEADERSHIP I GET FROM MY ELECTED OFFICIALS. IT'S REALLY, I  
21 KNOW IT'S TOO MUCH. YOU SHOULD BE KINDER, GENTLER. YOU KNOW, I  
22 HAVE GOOD NEWS FOR YOU, THOUGH. SARAH PALIN, DO YOU REMEMBER  
23 WHEN SHE MADE THAT REMARK? SHE WASN'T REFERRING TO THE BOARD.  
24 I CAN TELL YOU HONESTLY, SHE REALLY WASN'T. DO YOU KNOW WHY?  
25 NOT ENOUGH LIPSTICK. MR. SERRANO?

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2 **DAVID SERRANO:** GOD IS THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY  
3 SPIRIT. THE HOLY TRINITY IS THE ONE AND ONLY GOD, AMEN.  
4 HALLELUJAH. THE HOLY TRINITY IS THE CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND THE  
5 UNIVERSE, AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD, HALLELUJAH. REALITY IS THAT  
6 INFINITE GOD ALMIGHTY JESUS CHRIST CREATED HEAVEN AND THE  
7 UNIVERSE, AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD. ACCORDING TO THE HOLY WILL OF  
8 GOD, THE LORD GOD JESUS CHRIST COMMANDED THE UNIVERSE INTO  
9 EXISTENCE BY THE SPOKEN WORD OF GOD. AND JESUS CREATED THE  
10 UNIVERSE BY WAY OF THE BIG BANG THAT INCLUDES INFLATION. AND  
11 THAT THE VERY EARLIEST BEGINNING OF THE UNIVERSE, THE  
12 OBSERVABLE UNIVERSE WAS ACTUALLY SMALLER IN SIZE THAN AN  
13 ELECTRON ORBITING THE NUCLEUS OF AN ATOM, AMEN, HALLELUJAH.  
14 HALLELUJAH, AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD, GOD IS GOOD. JESUS CHRIST  
15 IS GOD. AMEN. THE HOLY TRINITY IS THE ONE AND ONLY GOD. AMEN,  
16 PRAISE THE LORD. ETERNAL JESUS WAS CONCEIVED BY THE POWER OF  
17 THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD. AND CHRIST WAS BORN OF THE SANCTIFIED  
18 VIRGIN MARY. THE SON OF GOD NEVER SINNED. JESUS CHRIST THE  
19 PREACHED THE WORD OF GOD AND HE FORGAVE PEOPLE'S SINS. THE  
20 LORD JESUS CURED LEPROSY. CHRIST GAVE SIGHT TO THE BLIND.  
21 JESUS MULTIPLIED A FEW PIECES OF BREAD AND FISH MIRACULOUSLY  
22 AND HE FED THOUSANDS OF HUNGRY PEOPLE. THE ETERNAL SON OF GOD  
23 REALLY RAISED DEAD PEOPLE TO LIFE. INNOCENT JESUS DIED FOR OUR  
24 SINS ON THE CROSS AS OUR SUBSTITUTE. HE WAS BURIED AND THEN ON  
25 THE THIRD DAY, JESUS CHRIST RESURRECTED AND HE LEFT THE TOMB,

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1 AMEN. JESUS CHRIST APPEARED TO HUNDREDS OF HIS DISCIPLES OVER  
2 THE COURSE OF 40 DAYS. JESUS CHRIST ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN. THE  
3 LORD JESUS CHRIST IS AT THE AT THE RIGHT HAND OF INFINITE GOD  
4 THE FATHER ALMIGHTY IN THE KINGDOM OF THE MOST HIGH. PRAISE  
5 THE LORD. WE ARE SAVED BY THE GRACE OF GOD THROUGH FAITH IN  
6 JESUS. CHRISTIAN SOULS AND SPIRITS ASCEND INTO THE KINGDOM OF  
7 HEAVEN, AMEN. CHRISTIANS RECEIVE LIFE EVERLASTING WITH GOD IN  
8 THE KINGDOM OF GOD, PRAISE THE LORD. GOD BLESS THE UNITED  
9 STATES OF AMERICA, AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD. CHRISTIANS HAVE LIFE  
10 EVER LASTING WITH GOD IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD, AMEN. UNBELIEVERS  
11 DIE AND RECEIVE THE PENALTY FOR THEIR OWN SINS. UNBELIEVERS  
12 DIE AND BURN IN SHEOLE HADES. REPENT AND BELIEVE REALITY.  
13 JESUS IS GOD. AND THEN YOU WILL HAVE LIFE EVER LASTING WITH  
14 GOD IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD. GOD BLESS THE  
15 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA! AMEN.

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17 **LORAYNE LINGAT:** IN ACCORDANCE --

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BEFORE WE GO INTO CLOSED SESSION, I HAVE  
20 SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THIS MORNING,  
21 I NEED AN URGENCY. IT'S ON A REWARD REQUEST BY ONE OF OUR  
22 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. ON THURSDAY, JULY 25TH, 2014,  
23 JUST BEFORE 11 O'CLOCK LONG BEACH POLICE OFFICERS RESPONDED TO  
24 A SHOOTING IN LONG BEACH. WHEN OFFICERS ARRIVED, THEY  
25 DISCOVERED 29-YEAR-OLD OLATAGA FILOMONI ON THE GROUND

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1 SUFFERING FROM SEVERAL GUNSHOT WOUNDS. THEY TRANSPORTED HIM TO  
2 A LOCAL HOSPITAL WHERE HE UNDERWENT EMERGENCY SERVICES. HE  
3 SUCCUMBED TO HIS INJURIES AND DIED AT THE HOSPITAL A FEW DAYS  
4 AGO. INVESTIGATORS LEARNED THAT OLATAGA, A LONG BEACH RESIDENT  
5 WAS TALKING WITH A FRIEND AND RELATIVE IN FRONT OF HIS  
6 RESIDENCE WHEN A CAR THEY DID NOT RECOGNIZE STOPPED IN FRONT  
7 OF THE HOUSE. AND SOMEONE INSIDE THAT CAR YELLED A GANG PHRASE  
8 AND SINCE NO ONE IN OLATAGA'S GROUP WAS A GANG, THEY INITIALLY  
9 DID NOT REACT TO THE STATEMENT. ALMOST SIMULTANEOUSLY GUNSHOTS  
10 WERE FIRED. AND INTO THE VICTIM'S DIRECTION, GROUP. ONLY ONE  
11 PERSON WITH HIM WAS ABLE TO PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION, A SMALL  
12 COMPACT. SEVERAL OTHER WITNESSES REPORTED HEARING THE SHOTS.  
13 SO INVESTIGATORS HAVE CANVASSED THE NEIGHBORHOOD LOOKING FOR  
14 WITNESSES AND FEEL THAT IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO OFFER A  
15 REWARD AT THIS POINT WHICH MAY PROMPT SOME RELUCTANT WITNESSES  
16 TO COME FORWARD. I WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD OFFER A \$10,000  
17 REWARD FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF  
18 THE PERPETRATORS OF THIS HEINOUS CRIME. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
19 ORDERED.

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21 **LORAYNE LINGAT:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,  
22 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
23 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-1 CONFERENCE WITH  
24 LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM NO. CS-2,  
25 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AND ITEM NO. CS-3,



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1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS WILLIAM T FUJIOKA AND  
2 DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1           **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION AUGUST 19, 2014**

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5       CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL   EXISTING LITIGATION

6       (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section

7       54956.9) Samuel Dacus v. County of Los Angeles, Superior Court

8       Case No. BC497383 This is an employment discrimination lawsuit

9       involving the Sheriff s Department. (14-3696)

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11       The Board authorized settlement of the matter entitled Samuel

12       Dacus v. County of Los Angeles. The details of the settlement

13       will be made available once finalized by all parties.

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15       The vote of the Board was 3-1, with Supervisors Ridley-Thomas,

16       Yaroslavsky and Knabe voting aye; Supervisor Antonovich

17       abstaining; and Supervisor Molina being absent.

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19       No reportable action was taken on items CS-2 or CS-3.

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13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

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